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REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

The interim terms of reference for the committee adopted by the Commission at the Commission's Inaugural Meeting in February, 1993 are as follows:

The terms of reference for the committee are pursuant to Articles VII, VIII and IX of the Convention. Other matters may be referred to it by the Commission. In particular, the committee shall not be limited to, but on an interim basis, shall:

- (Part I)
- (1) review and coordinate the collection and exchange of scientific data and collection of specimens of anadromous species;
 - (2) coordinate and assess scientific studies to ensure the identification of the location of origin of anadromous stocks migrating in the Convention Area and areas adjacent to it;
 - (3) ensure the availability of scientific information and views on ecologically-related species, including the impact of by-catches in related fisheries of species of concern designated by the Commission;
 - (4) develop appropriate observer programs to collect fishing information in the Convention Area for the purpose of scientific research on anadromous stocks and, as appropriate, ecologically-related species;
 - (5) coordinate scientific exchanges, seminars, workshops, field research, and data analyses;
 - (6) make recommendations to the Commission for the conservation in the Convention Area of anadromous stocks and ecologically-related species of concern designated by the Commission;
 - (7) make recommendations to the Commission to avoid or reduce incidental taking of anadromous fish in the Convention Area;
 - (8) review proposed scientific research programs in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 6 of the Convention;
 - (9) identify ecologically-related species which may be designated by the Commission as being of concern;
 - (10) create sub-committees necessary to carry out the functions of the committee;
 - (11) review and approve reports submitted for publication and make recommendations regarding other reports to be published; and
 - (12) prepare a report annually for the Commission.

(Part II)

The committee shall also:

- (1) make recommendations to the Commission on cooperation, as appropriate, with PICES and other relevant international organizations to obtain the best available information, including scientific advice, to further the attainment of the objectives of the Convention;
- (2) make recommendations to the Commission to invite any State or entity not party to the Convention to consult with respect to scientific matters relating to the conservation of anadromous stocks and ecologically-related species; and
- (3) consider other matters as referred to it by the Commission.