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1. Since the last Annual Meeting there has been one new application for observer status to NASCO from the Angling Council of Ireland (ACI). In its application, the ACI indicates that it aims to represent all affiliated National Angling Bodies in Ireland and has a duty to protect wild Atlantic salmon stocks for future generations. The ACI has indicated that it works closely with the Central Fisheries Board, the Irish Sports Council and Government departments and is committed to working with the new Inland Fisheries Ireland. ACI believes that observer status to NASCO would allow it to benefit from the experience of other NGOs and learn more about international best practice with regard to protection of the wild salmon stocks. The decision to grant accredited status is simply acceptance that, on the basis of the information provided, the ACI has objectives that are compatible with those of NASCO and it has a legitimate interest in NASCO's proceedings. Following consultation with the Acting President the ACI has, therefore, been granted observer status to NASCO.
2. The ACI has been advised of, and has accepted, the conditions governing NGO status to NASCO. In total, NASCO has 34 accredited NGOs as listed in Annex 1. These organizations have been invited to attend the Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting. The Council has welcomed the participation of these organizations in its work.

Secretary
Edinburgh
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Annex 1

NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS WITH OBSERVER STATUS TO NASCO

Angling Council of Ireland	(based in Ireland)
Association Internationale de Défense du Saumon Atlantique	(based in France)
Association of Salmon Fishery Boards	(based in the UK)
Atlantic Salmon Conservation Foundation	(based in Canada)
Atlantic Salmon Federation	(based in Canada)
Atlantic Salmon Federation	(based in USA)
Atlantic Salmon Trust	(based in the UK)
Coalition Clean Baltic	(based in Sweden)
College of the Atlantic	(based in USA)
Connecticut River Salmon Association	(based in USA)
Conservatoire National du Saumon Sauvage	(based in France)
Coomhola Salmon Trust Limited	(based in Ireland)
European Anglers Alliance	(based in the Netherlands)
Faroes Sportsfishing Association Islands)	(based in the Faroe
Federation of Irish Salmon and Sea-Trout Anglers	(based in Ireland)
Fédération Québécoise pour le Saumon Atlantique	(based in Canada)
Greenpeace International	(based in the Netherlands)*
Institute of Fisheries Management	(based in the UK)
Irish Seal Sanctuary	(based in Ireland)
Marine and Environmental Law Institute	(based in Canada)
National Anglers Representative Association	(based in Ireland)
Norges Bondelag (Norwegian Farmers Union)	(based in Norway)
Norges Jeger og Fiskerforbund (Norwegian Association of Hunters and Anglers)	(based in Norway)
Norske Lakseelver (Norwegian Salmon Rivers)	(based in Norway)
Northwest Atlantic Marine Alliance	(based in USA)
Salmon Net Fishing Association of Scotland	(based in the UK)
Salmon and Trout Association	(based in the UK)
Salmon Watch Ireland	(based in Ireland)
Sami Parlamenta	(based in Finland)
Scottish Anglers National Association	(based in the UK)
Ulster Angling Federation Limited	(based in the UK)
World Wide Fund for Nature (Norway)	(based in Norway)
WWF (France)	(based in France)
World Wildlife Fund (US)	(based in USA)

Note: The NGO accreditation of Greenpeace International has been suspended by the Council.