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**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF
NASCO AT ITS SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING
HELSINKI, 12-15 JUNE 1990
FISHING FOR SALMON IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS**

The Council

HAVING regard to the relevant provisions of international law and, in particular, the provisions on anadromous fish stocks in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea;

RECALLING the objective of NASCO to contribute through consultation and cooperation to the conservation, restoration, enhancement and rational management of salmon stocks subject to the Convention for the Conservation of Salmon in the North Atlantic Ocean,

RECALLING the prohibition on salmon fishing in international waters contained in the NASCO Convention;

RECALLING the Regulatory Measure adopted by NASCO for the North-East Atlantic waters;

NOTING that over the last twelve months there have been a number of reports of fishing for salmon in international waters by vessels that are registered in countries that are not Parties to the NASCO Convention;

EXPRESSING concern that this fishery is seriously undermining the conservation measures in force and is contrary to the objectives of the provisions of the NASCO Convention;

HAVING regard to Article 2 paragraph 3 of the NASCO Convention which states that the Contracting Parties shall invite the attention of any State not a Party to the Convention to any matter relating to the activities of the vessels of that State which appears to affect adversely the conservation, restoration, enhancement or rational management of salmon stocks subject to this Convention or the implementation of the Convention,

1. Calls upon all Contracting Parties to the NASCO Convention to intervene through diplomatic channels with the countries which permit the registration of those vessels which are involved in the salmon fishery in the international waters of the North-East Atlantic Ocean, to request these countries to take all necessary measures in order to prevent fishing for salmon in international waters.
2. Requests the President, on behalf of the Council of NASCO, to draw the attention of the countries concerned to the activities of these vessels and their adverse impact on conservation of salmon.
3. Requests the Secretary of NASCO to bring the present resolution to the attention of international organizations.