

North-East Atlantic Commission

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Definition of “non-indigenous”

At its Eighteenth Annual Meeting the Commission discussed a definition of the term “non-indigenous” since this is not defined in the Resolution to Protect Wild Salmon Stocks from Introductions and Transfers. It was agreed that further consideration should be given to an appropriate definition at the Commission’s Nineteenth Annual Meeting but that, to assist the Parties in making their returns under the Resolution in 2002, the definition adopted by the North American Commission should be used, i.e. “Not originating or occurring naturally in a particular environment, introduced outside its native or natural range”. The Commission is asked to further consider an appropriate definition of the term “non-indigenous”. In the interests of a consistent approach within NASCO, it may be desirable to adopt the definition used by the North American Commission.

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