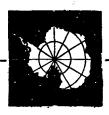
# TRAITÉ SUR L'ANTARCTIQUE CINQUIÈME RÉUNION CONSULTATIVE

ANTARCTIC TREATY FIFTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING



### TRATADO ANTARTICO QUINTA REUMON CONSULTIVA

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of the

FIFTH ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE MEETING

- In accordance with the provisions of Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty, representatives of the Consultative Parties (South Africa, United States of America, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Chile, France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Japan, Norway, New Zealand and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) met at Paris on 18th November 1968 for the purpose of discussing, and recommanding to their governments, measures in furtherance of the principles and purposes of the Treaty.
- 2. His Excellency Ambassador Pierre Charpentier was appointed by the French Government to act as Temporary Chairman of the Meeting pending election of a Chairman.
- 3. The Meeting was formally opened by the Right Honourable Michel Debré, the French Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- Ambassador Charpentier was then elected Chairman of the Meeting and Monsieur Guy Scalabre of the French Diplomatic Corps was appointed Secretary-General.
- 5. Opening statements were delivered by the Heads of all Delegations.
- 6. The Meeting then adopted the following Agenda:
  - 1) Agreed Measures for Conservation of Antarctica Fauna and Flora
  - 2) Pelagic Sealing
  - 3) Amendments to the Agreed Measures for Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora as instituted by Recommendation III-8
  - 4) Report on Meeting of Logistics Experts in Tokyo, June 3-8 1968
  - 5) Telecommunications
  - 6) Meteorology
  - 7) Tourist Activities in Antarctic
  - 8) Commemorative Postage Stamp
  - 9) Historic Monuments
  - 10) Co-ordination Group for Southern Ocean established by Inter-governmental Oceanographic Commission on 27th October 1967.
  - 11) Co-ordination of General Meetings of the SCAR and Consultative Meetings of the Antarctic Treaty.

- 7. The Meeting considered all the items on the Agenda in Plenary Session, appointing two Working Groups of which one examined Items 1, 2 and 3 of the Agenda and the other examined Items 5 and 6. In both cases, these Working Groups included representatives of all Delegations wishing to participate in them.
- 8. The opening and closing Plenary Sessions were held in public, but all others were held in private.
- 9. The Meeting agreed unanimously to the adoption of the following Recommendations.

#### COMMEMORATIVE STAMP ISSUE

The Representatives recommend to their governments:

- 1) that, on the occasion of the Tenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Antarctic Treaty, each Consultative Party should issue a commemorative postage stamp during 1971;
- 2) that this stamp should bear, in the language or languages of each issuing country, the following words:

#### "Antarctic Treaty 1961 - 1971";

- 3) that the most prominent feature of the stamp should be the Antarctic Treaty emblem representing a map of Antarctica which appears on the official documents of Consultative Meetings;
- 4) that any additional matter should be consonant with the provisions and the spirit of the Antarctic Treaty;
- 5) that the denomination of the stamp should remain at the discretion of each issuing country.

#### MEASURES FOR IMPROVING ANTARCTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Recognizing the need for improving the collection and distribution of meteorological data and other scientific information and for further improving Antarctic telecommunications:

Considering the views of the World Meteorological Organization, as expressed at the 18th and 20th Sessions of the WMO Executive Committee, on the desirability of setting up Antarctic Meteorological Centres and of determining provisionally their functions;

Supporting the principle of the World Weather Watch;

Considering the intention of some governments voluntarily to create, within a few years, such Antarctic Meteorological Centres at their Stations;

The Representatives recommend to their governments that:

- 1. In view of the valuable information provided by WMO and SCAR to Consultative Parties, they continue to cooperate with the WMO through their Representatives thereto and with SCAR through their National Committees in defining future scientific requirements.
- 2. They consider the usefulness of creating Antarctic Meteorological Centres in the Antarctic.
- 3. They hold a meeting of telecommunications experts at Buenos Aires, Argentina, between 15 August and 15 September 1969, in accordance with Recommendation IV-24. The date of this meeting should be arranged through diplomatic channels, taking into account relevant meetings of other international organizations which will be held in 1969 and the time required to translate and distribute the documents from such meetings.
- 4. Although it is expected that all Consultative Parties will participate, the meeting in Buenos Aires may proceed without the participation of them all provided all the Consultative Parties agree to that procedure and to the provisional agenda. All Consultative Parties will communicate

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before 1 June 1969 to the host government their intentions as to sending experts. Proposals emanating from the meeting will be sent to all Consultative Parties for their consideration.

- One expert each from WMO, ITU, IOC and SCAR should be invited to attend as observers. Invited observers may submit documents and make statements with the permission of the Chairman but they may not vote. All experts from Consultative Parties attending will be members of their delegations.
- 6. The agenda for the meeting should be determined by the Consultative Parties through diplomatic channels and the agreed provisional agenda will be circulated by the host government through diplomatic channels one month prior to the opening of the meeting.
- 7. The results of the meeting should take the form of proposals on telecommunications unanimously agreed by the delegations of the Consultative Parties participating in the meeting. These will be circulated by the host government to all Consultative Parties for consideration. These proposals will constitute the report of the meeting. Other conference documents may be appended for informations as annexes to the report with the consent of all delegations present. The proposals would not become measures under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty but any Consultative Parties may submit any matter arising from this meeting to a subsequent Consultative Meeting.
- 8. Information should be exchanged through diplomatic channels on the following aspect of telecommunications procedures at least one month prior to the opening of the Meeting:

existing networks, traffic loads and channel capacity on each route;

shortcomings in existing networks and channels;

iii)present traffic carried on each route

a) Administrative and operational traffic

b) Meteorological traffic

c) Other scientific traffic;

- (iv) existing time schedules for meteorological
   transmission
  - a) Broadcast
  - b) Point to point traffic
- The fields of discussion at the meeting should include, inter alia:
  - (i) New telecommunications traffic requirements submitted by Consultative Parties, WMO, IOC and SCAR, the capacity of the existing facilities and the effect of these new requirements on the existing facilities, taking into account the report of the Antarctic Treaty Meeting on Telecommunications held in Washington in 1963 and present prevailing conditions;
  - (ii) Estimates or requirements for the near future and further projections if possible;
  - (iii) Procedure for amending telecommunications
     arrangements from time to time to meet changing
     conditions;
    - (iv) New telecommunications techniques which might be introduced into the Antarctic to meet future requirements;
      - (v) Preparation of a standard format for the exchange of information on telecommunications facilities under Article VII of the Antarctic Treaty.

#### SOUTHERN OCEAN

The Representatives,

Considering that the Southern Ocean is an integral part of the Antarctic environment and that the Consultative Governments have made substantial contributions towards knowledge of this ocean in the Treaty Area,

Noting that Resolution 5 of the Vth Session of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) established a Co-ordination Group for the Southern Ocean and that the terms

of reference for this group include plans for the gradual development of a comprehensive study of the Southern Ocean;

Noting further the significant contribution which the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR) has made to these studies and that SCAR is invited to participate in the Co-ordination Group as an observer;

Welcome the proposed study of the Southern Ocean by the IOC with the participation of SCAR as well as other interested scientific organizations;

Recommend to their governments that they encourage SCAR through their National Committees to continue its interest in scientific matters related to the Southern Ocean and to make available scientific advice as appropriate to the IOC Co-ordination Group in order to aid in its development of plans for the comprehensive study of the Southern Ocean.

#### RECOMMENDATION V-4

#### HISTORIC MONUMENTS

The Representatives,

Recalling Recommendation I-9,

Recommend to their governments:

- 1) that a list of historic monuments which should be preserved be drawn up;
- 2) that each government circulate a list of historic monuments through diplomatic channels to other Consultative Governments;
- 3) that this subject be considered further at the next Consultative Meeting;
- 4) that, in the meantime, they do what is feasible to ensure the survival as far as possible of any historic monument which has been included on any list circulated under paragraph 2.

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#### SPECIALLY PROTECTED AREAS:

#### FILDES PENINSULA

The Representatives, considering that Fildes Peninsula has several small lakes which, being ice-free in summer, are of outstanding ecological interest and that the most interesting one of them should be specially protected, recommend to their governments that, in place of the description in Recommendation IV-12, the following be inserted in Annex B, Specially Protected Areas, of the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora:

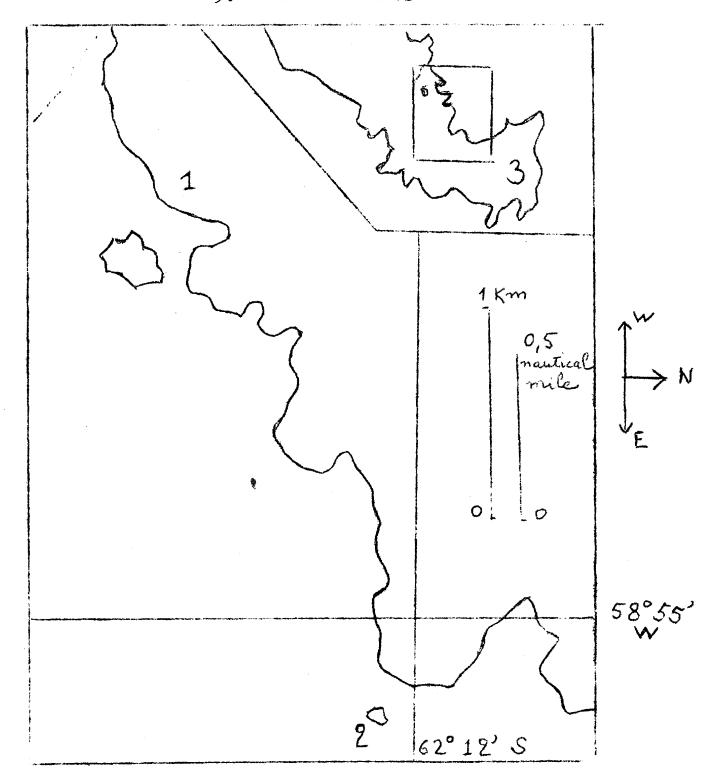
"SPECIALLY PROTECTED AREA N° 12, Fildes Peninsula, King George Island/25 May, South Shetland Islands,

Lat. 62°11'S., long. 58°52'W.

<u>Description</u>: The fresh-water lake, including the surrounding land within 100 metres of the shore, situated about 500 metres north of Suffield Point and 2.5 kilometres east-north-east of Bellingshausen Station on Fildes Peninsula. The area is shown on the attached map."

#### DESIGNATIONS GEOGRAPHIQUES

- l. Point Suffield
- 2. Station Bellingshausen
- 3. Péninsule Fildes



#### PLACE NAMES

- 1. Suffield Point
- 2. Bellingshausen Station
- 3. Fildes Peninsula

#### DESIGNACIONES GEOGRAFICAS

- 1. Punto Suffield
- 2. Estacion Bellingshausen
- 3. Peninsula Fildes

#### MODIFICATION OF THE AGREED MEASURES ADOPTED UNDER

#### RECOMMENDATION III - 8 FOR THE

#### CONSERVATION OF ANTARCTICA FAUNA AND FLORA

The Representatives recommend to their governments that:

(1) in paragraph (d) of Article II after the words "Agreed Measures" they add the following:

"The functions of an authorised person will be carried out within the framework of the Antarctic Treaty. They will be carried out exclusively in accordance with scientific principles and will have as their sole purpose the effective protection of Antarctic fauna and flora in accordance with these Agreed Measures".

(2) in paragraph (e) of Article II, after the words "appropriate
 authority", they add the following:
 "as defined at paragraph (d) above".

#### RECOMMENDATION V-7

# CONCERNING THE PROPOSALS OF SCAR FOR THE REVISION OF THE INTERIM GUIDE LINES FOR THE VOLUNTARY REGULATION OF ANTARCTIC PELAGIC SEALING

Taking into account the importance of conserving seals south of 60° South Latitude:

Considering that in the future an international Convention for the regulation of Antarctic pelagic sealing may be required;

The Representatives recommend to their governments that, when implementing Recommendation IV-21, and until a decision is taken on the conclusion of an international Convention, they should voluntarily take account of the proposals of SCAR in its report to National Antarctic Committees in 1968 on the modification of the "Interim Guide Lines for the Voluntary Regulation of Antarctic Pelagic Sealing", as appended in a revised form to the Report of the Fifth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting.\*

<sup>\*</sup> See page 13.

### EXAMINATION OF A DRAFT CONVENTION FOR THE REGULATION OF ANTARCTIC PELAGIC SEALING

The Representatives,

Having had a preliminary exchange of views at the Fifth Consultative Meeting on the draft Convention for the Regulation of Antarctic Pelagic Sealing contained in the Final Report of the Meeting,\*

Recognising the need to study the preparation of such a Convention,

Recommend to their governments that, before the next Consultative Meeting, they study the draft Convention with a view to its consideration at that Meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION V-9

#### SIXTH ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE MEETING

The Representatives recommend to their governments that they accept the offer by the Delegation of Japan to hold the Sixth Consultative Meeting under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty in Tokyo, on a date in 1970 to be mutually decided upon by the Consultative Governments.

Concerning the other items of the agenda:

Following an examination of the account of the expert meeting on logistics, held in Tokyo from 3rd to 8th June 1968, the Fifth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting expressed to the Government of Japan its satisfaction and gratitude for the organisation of this expert meeting which permitted the work to be particularly fruitful.

There was a useful exchange of views on the effect of tourism in the Antarctic. Reports were circulated about certain trips which have been made recently and about the conditions which various countries have made applicable to any tourist groups wishing to visit their stations.

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Furthermore, in accordance with the provisions of Recommendation V-7, the text of the SCAR proposals concerning the "Interim Guide Lines for the Voluntary Regulation of Antarctic Pelagic Sealing" in a revised form, will be found at Annex 1.

In accordance with the provisions of Recommendation V-8, a Draft Convention for the regulation of Antarctic Pelagic Sealing is also attached, at Annex 2.

On this occasion the Argentine Representative made the following statement:

"The Argentine Delegation wishes to state that its approval of the Recommendations concerning Pelagic Sealing, and of Recommendations IV-21 and IV-22 which also bear on this question, must not be considered as a precedent affecting in any way whatsoever the application of the provisions of Article VI of the Antarctic Treaty".

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The Final Report of the Fifth Consultative Meeting was unanimously adopted on 29th Novembre 1968.

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Closing speeches were made on 29th November 1968 by or on behalf of all the Heads of Delegations.

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The Chairman then declared that the Meeting was closed.

#### ANNEX 1

# MODIFIED VERSION OF THE REPORT OF 1968 TO NATIONAL ANTARCTIC COMMITTEES BY THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON ANTARCTIC RESEARCH (SCAR)

- 1. The total number of seals of each species taken in the area south of 60° South Latitude should not exceed the number for that species set so as to bring the population to, or maintain it at, the level giving the optimum sustainable yield.
- 2. The number will be set in the light of the best available scientific evidence, and will be revised at regular intervals. The best present advice regarding numbers is given in Annex A.
- 3. A seal should not be killed or taken when it is in the water.
- 4. The Ross Seal (Ommatophoca rossi), the Elephant Seal (Mirounga leonina), and fur seals of the genus Arctocephalus should not be killed or taken, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit.
- 5. Within the period specified in Annex C, no Weddell Seal (Leptonychotes weddelli) one year old, or older, should be killed or taken, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit.
- 6. For the purposes of these Guide Lines, the area south of 60° South Latitude should be divided into the Sealing Zones set out in Annex B. No seals should be killed or taken except in the zones and at the times specified in Annex B. However, a permit may be issued in accordance with paragraph 9.
- 7. No seals should be killed or taken within the closed season designated in Annex C, other than in an emergency or in accordance with a permit.
- 8. Within the zones established in Annex B, any area that forms a seal breeding area or is the site of long-term scientific research on seals may be declared a Seal Reserve by governments. Such Seal Reserves are listed in Annex D. Within any Seal Reserve seals should not be killed or taken except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit.

- 9. Permits should be issued only for the following purposes:
  - (i) to provide indispensable food for men or dogs in limited quantities and in conformity with the purposes and principles of the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora and these Guide Lines,
  - (ii) to provide specimens for scientific study or scientific information, or
  - (iii) to provide specimens for museums, educational or cultural institutions.
- 10. Each government should provide the other governments before 31 October of each year with the information relating to the preceding period of 1 July to 30 June specified in Annex E.
- 11. At the same time, each government should provide to the other governments information on any steps it has taken in accordance with these Guide Lines.
- When it appears to any government that the harvest of any species of seal in the area south of 60° South Latitude is having a significant effect on the stocks therein, or in any locality is disturbing the ecological system therein, that Government may propose through diplomatic channels that a Consultative Meeting shall be convened under Article IX of the Antarctic Treaty. If all Consultative Parties so agree, such a meeting will be convened as soon as possible to consider the situation and the steps it may be necessary to take.

#### ANNEX A. PERMISSIBLE CATCH

With present information it is not possible to give figures for the optimum sustainable yield, or for the levels of population which would provide such yields. Such figures can only be estimated with any useful precision from the analysis of the populations after they have been exposed to exploitation for a period.

It is suggested that if catches do not exceed the following safety levels until the results of such analysis are available, then the populations will not be reduced below the level giving the optimum yield.

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Crabeater Seals (<u>Lobodon carcinophagus</u>) 200,000 individuals in any one year

Leopard Seals (<u>Hydrurga leptonyx</u>) 15,000 individuals in any one year

Weddell Seals (<u>Leptonychotes weddelli</u>) 10,000 individuals in any one year

#### ANNEXE B. SEALING ZONES

- 1. The following Sealing Zones, corresponding with those used by the whaling industry, are designated:
  - Zone 1 Between 60° and 120° West Longitude
  - Zone 2 Between 0° and 60° West Longitude together with that part of the Weddell Sea lying westwards of 60° West Longitude.
  - Zone 3 Between O° and 70° East Longitude
  - Zone 4 Between 70° and 130° East Longitude
  - Zone 5 Between 130° East Longitude and 170° West Longitude
  - Zone 6 Between 120° and 170° West Longitude.
- 2. During the season 1969-1970, being the first season to which these Guide Lines apply, no sealing should be permitted in Zone 1. In the second season of application, Zone 2 should be closed to sealing, and thereafter each zone should be closed for a season in sequence.

#### ANNEX C. CLOSED SEASONS

- 1. The period between 1 March and 31 August inclusive is a Closed Season.
- 2. No Weddell Seal (<u>Leptonychotes weddelli</u>) one year old or older should be killed or taken between 1 September and 15 December inclusive.

#### ANNEX D. SEAL RESERVES

The following areas are declared Seal Reserves:

- 1. The area between 60°20' and 60°56' South Latitude and 44°05' and 46°25' West Longitude, including the South Orkney Island.
- 2. The area of the south-western Ross Sea south of 76° South Latitude and west of 170° East Longitude, including Ross Island.
- 3. The area of Edisto inlet south and west of a line drawn between Cape Hallett (72°19'S.: 170°18'E) and Helm Point (72°11'S.: 170°00'E).

#### ANNEX E. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- 1. Each government should provide to other governments statistical information on all seals taken within the area to which Guide Lines relate.
- 2. This information should include the number of adult individuals and pups of each species killed or taken during each operating day, specifying in which of the Zones set out in Annex B they have been killed or taken.

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#### ANNEX 2

# DRAFT CONVENTION FOR THE REGULATION OF ANTARCTIC PELAGIC SEALING

The Contracting Parties,

Recalling the Agreed Measures for the Conservation of Antarctic Fauna and Flora, adopted under the Antarctic Treaty;

Recognizing that the seal stocks south of 60° South Latitude are a resource of potential value which require a binding international agreement for its effective regulation;

Recognizing that this resource should not be depleted by over-exploitation, and hence that any harvesting should be regulated at the level of the optimum sustainable yield;

Recognizing that in order to improve scientific knowledge and so place exploitation on a rational basis, every effort should be made both to encourage biological research on these seal populations and to gain information from the statistics of future sealing operations;

Desiring to promote and achieve the objectives of protection, scientific study and rational use of Antarctic seals;

Have agreed as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1

#### Implementation

Each Contracting Party shall adopt for its nationals, including ships possessing its nationality, such measures, including a permit system as appropriate, as may be necessary in order to regulate in accordance with the provisions of this Convention pelagic sealing in the area to which this Convention applies, that is to say, the seas south of 60° South Latitude.

#### ARTICLE 2

#### Permissible Catch

- (1) The total number of seals of each species killed or taken in the area to which this Conventionaapplies shall not exceed the number specified in Annex A.
- (2) The number for each species listed in Annex A shall be fixed in the light of the best available scientific evidence and shall be reviewed at least every five years and, as necessary, revised by the Contracting Parties.

#### ARTICLE 3

#### Sealing Methods

A seal shall not be killed when it is in the water, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.1).

#### ARTICLE 4

#### Ross, Elephant and Fur Seals

The Ross Seal (Ommatophoca rossi), the Elephant Seal (Mirouna leonina) and fur seals of the genus Arctocephalus shall not be killed or taken, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.1).

#### ARTICLE 5

#### Weddell Seals

Within the period specified in Annex C, no Weddell Seal (<u>Leptonychotes weddeli</u>) one year old, or older, shall be killed or taken, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.l).

#### ARTICLE 6

#### Sealing Zones

For the purposes of this Convention, the area to which this Convention applies shall be divided into the Sealing Zones set out in Annex B. No seals shall be killed or taken

in a zone which is closed for the time being, as specified in Annex B, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.1).

# ARTICLE 7 Closed Seasons

No seals shall be killed or taken within the closed season designated in Annex C, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.1).

# ARTICLE 8 Seal Reserves

Within the zones established in Annex B, any area that forms a seal breeding area or is the site of long-term scientific research on seals may be declared a Seal Reserve by the Contracting Parties. Such Seal Reserves shall be listed in Annex D. Within any Seal Reserve, no seals may be killed or taken, except in an emergency or in accordance with a permit issued under Article 9 (par.1).

# ARTICLE 9 Permits

- (1) A permit may be issued with regard to Articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 only for the following purposes:
  - (i) to provide indispensable food for men or dogs in limited quantities and in conformity with the purposes and principles of this Convention;
  - (ii) to provide specimens for scientific study or scientific information; or
- (2) Where a Contracting Party institutes a permit system for sealing operations other than those specified in paragraph (1) of this Article that Contracting Party shall have regard, in issuing permits, to the principles and purpose of this Convention and in particular Articles 2, 6, 7 and 8.

#### ARTICLE 10

#### Exchange of information

- (1) Each Contracting Party shall provide the other Contracting Parties before 31 October of each year with the information relating to the preceding period of 1 July to 30 June specified in Annex E.
- (2) At the same time, each Contracting Party shall provide to the other Contracting Parties information on any steps it has taken in accordance with this Convention.

#### ARTICLE 11

#### Consultations between Contracting Parties

- (1) Should it appear to any Contracting Party that the harvest of any species of seal in the area to which this Convention applies is:
  - (i) approaching the number for the species fixed in accordance with Article 2 above,
  - (ii) having a significant effect on the total stocks therein, or
  - (iii) disturbing the ecological system in any particular locality,

that Party may propose through diplomatic channels that a meeting of Contracting Parties be convened.

(2) If Contracting Parties so agree, such a meeting shall be convened as soon as possible in order to consider the situation and the steps it may be necessary to take.

#### ARTICLE 12

#### Signature

(To be drafted at the next Consultative Meeting)

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## ARTICLE 13 Ratification

This Convention is subject to ratification. Instruments of ratification shall be deposited with...

#### ARTICLE 14

#### Accession

(To be drafted at the next Consultative Meeting)

# ARTICLE 15 Entry into force

This Convention shall enter into force on 1 July following the date of deposit of the.... instrument of ratification or accession.

#### ARTICLE 16

#### Amendment

(To be drafted at the next Consultative Meeting)

#### ANNEX A - PERMISSIBLE CATCH

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1. The following Sealing Zones, corresponding with those used by the whaling industry, are designated:

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- 2. During the season immediately following the entry into force of this Convention, being the first season to which this Convention applies, no sealing shall be permitted in Zone 1. In the next season Zone 2 shall be closed to sealing, and thereafter each Zone shall be closed for a season in sequence.

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#### ANNEX E - EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- 1. Contracting Parties shall provide to other Contracting Parties statistical information on all seals taken within the area to which this Convention applies.
- 2. This information shall include:
  - (i) the daily position of ship at noon each operating day; and
  - (ii) the number of adult individuals and pups of each species taken on that day.

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