

REPORT OF THE TENTH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
(Hobart, Australia 21 October to 1 November, 1991)

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1.1 The Tenth Annual Meeting of the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources was held in Hobart, Tasmania, Australia from 21 October to 1 November 1991 under the Chairmanship of Ambassador Jorge Berguño (Chile).

1.2 All Members of the Commission were represented: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, European Economic Community, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

1.3 Following established practice, acceding states were invited to attend as observers, and the Netherlands and Uruguay attended in this capacity.

1.4 The Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC), the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), the International Whaling Commission (IWC), the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR), the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR) and the Antarctic and Southern Ocean Coalition (ASOC) were invited to attend the meeting as observers. IOC, IWC, SCAR and ASOC attended.

1.5 A List of Participants is at Annex 1. A List of Documents presented to the meeting is at Annex 2.

1.6 The meeting was opened by His Excellency General Sir Phillip Bennett, AC, KBE, DSO, Governor of Tasmania.

1.7 In his address, the Governor commended the Commission for its achievements over the ten years since the Convention was signed. He referred to the successful development of the scientific program of CCAMLR in which most Members were actively involved, to the adoption of conservation measures that were now starting to result in the recovery of previously depleted populations of some finfish species and to the successful implementation of a system of international inspection of Antarctic fishing operations. The Governor also referred to the important international cooperation in Antarctic affairs to which CCAMLR had made a significant contribution since its establishment.