

## OTHER BUSINESS

### Commemoration of CCAML-XX

18.1 The Scientific Committee explored options for commemorating the Twentieth Meeting of CCAML-2000 in 2001. These options included:

- dedicating part of the 2001 edition of *CCAML Science* to the results of the CCAML-2000 Survey (e.g. an introductory page followed by selected papers on the CCAML-2000 Survey);
- hosting a commemorative dinner during CCAML-XX, with invited special guests who had made significant contributions to the work of CCAML;
- casting a commemorative badge and T-shirt, the designs of which could be determined by holding a competition; and
- issuing a commemorative postal stamp.

18.2 These options were brought to the attention of the Commission.

### Species Identification Sheets

18.3 In the course of discussion, the Scientific Committee identified the need to revise the publication of *FAO Species Identification Sheets*. Mr R. Shotton (FAO Observer) advised that this revision could be undertaken in collaboration with FAO. This process would require the letting of author contracts, and the publication of the revised volumes.

### Rapporteur Support

18.4 The Scientific Committee noted the difficulties experienced by rapporteurs using the computer provided by the Secretariat (e.g. the computer had crashed at least three times on the fourth day of the meeting). The Scientific Committee recommended that the facilities provided to rapporteurs be improved substantially at future meetings. As a minimum requirement, these facilities should include:

- a reliable computer and printer;
- internet connection; and
- adequate office space.

## ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

19.1 The Report of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Scientific Committee was adopted.

## CLOSE OF THE MEETING

20.1 This was the last meeting chaired by Dr Miller. In stepping down from the Chair, Dr Miller reflected on his 17-year association with CCAMLR.

‘As I step down from the Scientific Committee Chair, I am moved to reflect on my some 17-year association with CCAMLR.

Firstly, I have been very fortunate and am humbled by the privilege I have enjoyed in serving as an office-bearer during what I view to be have been a number of CCAMLR’s major achievements. During my tenure as WG-Krill Convener I was fortunate enough to be involved in:

- (i) the adoption of catch limits for krill which constituted a major leap forward in precautionary fisheries management; and
- (ii) the merging of WG-Krill and WG-CEMP which not only resulted in WG-EMM but also set the stage for effective ecosystem management which is at the core of Article II.

During my stint as CCAMLR Scientific Committee Chair, I also saw:

- (i) the reassessment of krill in Area 48 by the CCAMLR-2000 Survey;
- (ii) the introduction of trade-related measures via the toothfish Catch Documentation Scheme;
- (iii) advancement of the unified regulatory framework; and
- (iv) the setting up of an experimental fishing strategy for the toothfish longline fishery.

Second, I have been blessed with the support and friendship offered to me by all the Members of the Commission, Scientific Committee and the latter’s various Working Groups. This has allowed me to work with a group of dedicated, professional, passionate and exceptional people. My personal associations have left me with an admiration and respect for all of CCAMLR’s endeavours.

Third, I am eternally grateful for the tireless support of the Secretariat whose staff have been invaluable in ensuring that I managed to get anything done at all. Without their support, I know that CCAMLR, and the Scientific Committee in particular, would be a great deal poorer. To my successor, Dr Holt, I say good luck and assure you that with the continued support of the Secretariat your future task will be much the easier and that you will be in good hands so to speak.

Finally, I look forward very much to assisting my successor in his tasks and once again interact with all my colleagues on the floor. With the latter threat, I look forward to my future with CCAMLR in general and the Scientific Committee in particular.’

20.2 In closing the meeting Dr Miller said a big thank you to all at CCAMLR.

20.3 Dr Everson, on behalf of the Scientific Committee, thanked Dr Miller for his untiring leadership, as well as his other work within CCAMLR. All members of the Scientific Committee looked forward to welcoming Dr Miller back to future meetings.

20.4 On behalf of the Scientific Committee, and all those at CCAMLR, Dr Ramm presented Dr Miller with a gavel in commemoration of his time in the chair.

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