

BUDGET FOR 2004 AND FORECAST BUDGET FOR 2005

Scientific Committee Budget

10.1 The budget of the Scientific Committee for 2004 and the forecast budget for 2005, as agreed by the Scientific Committee, are summarised in Table 7.

10.2 The budget for 2004 includes the following items:

- (i) preparatory work and participation of two invited experts at WG-EMM's 2004 Workshop on Plausible Ecosystem Models for Testing Approaches to Krill (A\$16 000) (paragraph 3.46; Annex 4, paragraphs 6.23, 6.24 and 6.46);
- (ii) participation by the Data Manager at the 2004 meeting of WG-FSA-SAM (whole meeting), and Secretariat support for the last two days of the meeting (A\$3 500) (paragraph 4.34; Annex 5, paragraph 9.21);
- (iii) independent external review of the GYM software and manual (A\$4 500) (Annex 5, paragraph 9.18);
- (iv) travel for four Secretariat staff to support and participate in the 2004 meeting of WG-EMM (A\$49 700);
- (v) development of documentation and pro forma for the assessments conducted by WG-FSA and reported in background documents (A\$20 000) (paragraphs 10.6 and 10.7; Annex 5, paragraphs 13.2 to 13.5).

10.3 The Scientific Committee recalled that last year WG-FSA had reorganised the meeting format and reporting so as to provide greater transparency and clarity in its work and reduce the size of its reports (SC-CAMLR-XXI, Annex 5, paragraphs 2.1 and 2.2). This reorganisation included the development of SC-CAMLR background documents which aimed to maintain a comprehensive archive of the work of WG-FSA.

10.4 In spite of this, the WG-FSA report was still very large and unwieldy. The Scientific Committee recognised that, to some extent, WG-FSA was a victim of its own success. Much of its work in 2003 was undertaken in subgroups which worked concurrently, and a large range of analyses had been undertaken and reported.

10.5 The Scientific Committee agreed that further intersessional work was required to develop a system of documentation which would enable WG-FSA to maintain a complete archive of its work and to develop a concise report which focussed on the needs of the Scientific Committee and Commission, and provide appropriate information for SCIC.

10.6 The Scientific Committee tasked the Secretariat to develop a system of documentation and pro forma which would enable WG-FSA to maintain a complete archive of its assessments. The Scientific Committee urged the Secretariat to submit this documentation to the 2004 meeting of WG-FSA-SAM so as to allow that subgroup to review the documentation and ensure an effective transition to the new system at the 2004 meeting of WG-FSA.

10.7 The Scientific Committee agreed that the items identified in paragraph 10.2 were essential for the continued development of the management strategy for the krill fishery, and

for validating and developing the assessments of *Dissostichus* spp. and *C. gunnari*. Further, the one-time cost of developing a system of documentation and pro forma for WG-FSA would result in a long-term saving in costs for translation and publication of the reports of that Working Group.

10.8 The Russian Representative noted that, in his opinion, the work described in paragraph 10.2(v) is not high priority, and should the necessary funding be unavailable in 2004, it could be postponed until some time in the future.

10.9 The Scientific Committee also identified two new items for inclusion in its budget for 2005. These were:

- (i) editing, translating and publishing a report from an icefish workshop held by the CCAMLR Otolith Network scheduled in 2005 (A\$5 000) (see SC-CAMLR-XXI, paragraph 10.2);
- (ii) invited experts for the krill management workshop scheduled during the 2005 meeting of WG-EMM (approximately A\$16 000).

Commission Budget

10.10 The Scientific Committee endorsed the following expenditures under the Commission's budget for 2004:

- (i) language support for *CCAMLR Science*;
- (ii) translation of the electronic logbooks into other languages (Annex 4, paragraphs 3.44, 3.45 and 3.51);
- (iii) participation by the Chair in the 2004 meeting of CEP;
- (iv) participation of the Data Manager in the 2004 intersessional meeting of CWP.

10.11 The Scientific Committee noted that the Commission budget for 2004 included a proposal that CCAMLR be represented by a member of the Secretariat at the Fourth World Fisheries Congress to be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, in May 2004 (A\$5 700).

10.12 The Scientific Committee noted that WG-FSA had recommended changes to the content and format of the *Scientific Observers Manual* (Annex 5, paragraph 10.45), and that these changes may result in costs in editing, translating and publishing a revised version of the manual in 2005. The cost was tentatively estimated at approximately A\$20 000.

10.13 The Scientific Committee noted that the special issue of the *Journal of Deep Sea Research* which will report the results of the CCAMLR-2000 Survey was nearing publication. Final technical editing was under way and the issue is due for publication in 2004. The Scientific Committee recalled that it had set aside an amount of A\$10 000 to assist with the cost of this publication. The Scientific Committee agreed to ensure that this funding would be acquitted as soon as possible.