

COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

CCAMLR observers at meetings

9.1 The CCAMLR Scientific Committee was represented at the following meetings during the inter-sessional period:

37th meeting of the International Whaling Commission, Dr J. Beddington (see CCAMLR-IV/14);

18th meeting of SCAR, Dr D. Sahrhage (SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/16);

Joint IUCN/SCAR Symposium on Scientific Requirements for Antarctic Conservation, Dr D. Sahrhage (SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/17) (also see SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/24);

72nd meeting of ICES, Dr K. Sherman (CCAMLR-IV/19).

9.2 It was agreed that Dr Sherman would represent the Scientific Committee at the 73rd Statutory Meeting of ICES in London, October 1985.

9.3 It was agreed that because the 13th Session of CWP in Rome will not take place until 11 to 18 February, 1987, arrangements for the Scientific Committee representation can be made at the next meeting.

9.4 It was agreed that Dr Beddington would represent the Scientific Committee at the 38th Scientific Committee Meeting of the IWC in the United Kingdom in May–June 1986.

9.5 It was agreed that the Scientific Committee would not be represented at the 9th Annual Meeting of ICCAT in Palma de Majorca in November 1985.

9.6 It was agreed that the Scientific Committee would not be represented at the 7th Special Meeting of ICSEAF in Tarragona in November–December 1985.

9.7 It was agreed that a Scientific Committee representative would be designated at a later date to the IUCN Review of the World Conservation Strategy to be held in June 1986.

9.8 It was agreed that a Scientific Committee representative would be designated at a later date to the 19th Meeting of SCAR in the USA in June 1986.

CCAMLR/IOC Scientific Seminar on Antarctic Ocean Variability and Its Influence on Marine Living Resources, Particularly Krill

9.9 This seminar will be held at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris from 2 to 6 June, 1987 (SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/19). It was noted that three oceanographers will be chosen by IOC to serve on a planning/steering committee for the seminar. It was agreed that an additional three members should be invited from the Scientific Committee of CCAMLR to serve on the steering committee. Some members believed that the selection of these members should be made by the Chairman of the Scientific Committee in consultation with the Executive Secretary and other appropriate persons. Others believed that the Chairman of the Commission should be involved in this selection.

Species identification sheets

9.10 A progress report was given by Prof. J.-C. Hureau on the joint CCAMLR/FAO project on Species Identification Sheets for the Southern Ocean (CCAMLR-IV/12). A preliminary draft of this document has been completed (in English) and is undergoing further editing. Thanks were expressed to contributors who have helped in drafting and editing.

9.11 Vernacular names for some species are still required in some languages. The Soviet representative offered to provide the editors with vernacular names in Russian for the appropriate species as possible.

9.12 It is anticipated that the English version of this document will be published by the end of 1985. If sufficient additional funds can be obtained, the French and Spanish versions may be published in 1986; otherwise publication will be delayed until 1987. The Russian version may be published in 1987.

9.13 Representatives from Argentina, Chile, and the USSR expressed concerns about the publication delays and funding difficulties associated with the Spanish and Russian versions.

9.14 Members of CCAMLR and those on the FAO mailing list will receive copies of this work free of charge. Additional copies will be sold by FAO to the general public to generate funds for future updates and editions.

9.15 The Chairman thanked Prof. J.-C. Hureau, the other authors and the editor, Dr W. Fischer of FAO, for their efforts on this project.

International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

9.16 The IUCN observer expressed the continued interest of his organisation with the work of CCAMLR. He also called attention to the report of the Joint SCAR/IUCN Symposium on Scientific Requirements for Antarctic Conservation which had been circulated at the meeting as document SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/24.

Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research

9.17 The SCAR/SCOR observer called attention to the report of the meeting of the SCAR Group of Specialists on Southern Ocean Ecosystems and their Living Resources (SC-CAMLR-IV/BG/25). This report deals with the future of the BIOMASS Program, which has great bearing on the work of the CCAMLR Scientific Committee.

Food and Agriculture Organisation

9.18 It was noted that although FAO had attempted to arrange for an observer to be present at the meeting, it was unable to send an observer due to last minute difficulties.