BUDGET FOR 1987

11.1 The Scientific Committee developed a proposal for the 1987 budget in accordance with the recommendations made for activities during the forthcoming intersessional period. The proposed budget was endorsed. It is given at Annex 10.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

12.1 Dr W. Slosarczyk (Poland) nominated Dr I. Everson (UK) as Chairman of the Scientific Committee, noting his high scientific qualifications and his considerable experience in Antarctic marine biology. The nomination was seconded by Dr J.-C. Hureau (France), who called attention to Dr Everson's long and respected record as an Antarctic researcher over the past 25 years.

12.2 Dr Inigo Everson (UK) was unanimously elected Chairman of the Scientific Committee for the period from the end of the Fifth Session until the end of the Session of the Committee in 1988, in accordance with Rules 3 and 8 of the Scientific Committee's Rules of Procedure.

12.3 It was noted that scientists of all Member delegations are eligible for election and that a scientist's election as Chairman reflects that he or she has suitable scientific qualifications and experience to facilitate the work of the Scientific Committee.

12.4 It was further stated that the first two Chairmen of the Committee had been from non-fishing Members and that at the next election of the Scientific Committee's Chairman, Members should take account of the desirability of electing a qualified scientist from a fishing Member. In subsequent elections, Members should take account of the desirability of electing qualified scientists so as to achieve a balance from both fishing and non-fishing Members.

12.5 In accepting the office of Chairman, Dr Everson thanked the outgoing Chairman, Dr Sahrhage, for his exceptionally able leadership over the past four years. He stated that he would attempt to follow the example set by Dr Sahrhage, striving to ensure that the Committee produces the best possible scientific advice to the Commission.