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Denmark (Greenland) Request for Scientific Advice on
Management of Certain Stocks in 1996

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1. Denmark, on behalf of Greenland, requests the Scientific Council of NAFO in advance of the 1995 Annual Meeting, provide advice on the scientific basis for management of the following stocks in Subarea 1 in 1996 and as many years forward as data allow:

- i) Redfish (by species, if possible)
- ii) Any other stock of invertebrates and finfish of commercial interest, for which data allow a status report

It is also suggested that, subject to the concurrence of Canada, advice be given for the following stocks overlapping Subareas 0 and 1:

- i) Greenland halibut
- ii) Roundnose grenadier

2. In the analyses on which management advice will be based, the following should be included:

In its 1993 report, the Scientific Council has noted that the offshore component of **Greenland halibut**, in Subareas 0 and 1 was distributed equally between these Subareas. Further in its 1994 report, the Scientific Council has noted that the biomass of the inshore component in Subarea 1 was unknown. The Council is therefore asked to provide further information on following topics.

- a) Allocation of TACs to appropriate Subareas (within Subareas 0 and 1).
- b) Allocation of TAC for Subarea 1 inshore areas.

The **Greenland halibut** stock in Subareas 0-3 is considered a single stock as noted in the Scientific Council Report, 1990. The Council is also asked to provide any new information on following topics:

- a) Reproductive status of the inshore stock component in Subareas 0 and 1, and the influence of recruitment variability to these areas.
- b) The impacts from the ongoing fisheries in Subareas 2 and 3, on the stock component in Subarea 1.

3. Denmark, on behalf of Greenland, further requests that the Scientific Council of NAFO before December 1995, provide advice on the scientific basis for management of the following stock in Subareas 0 and 1 (including Subarea 1 north of 71°N and Subarea 1 inshore) in 1996 and as many years forward as data allow:

- i) Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*)

Further, in cooperation with ICES, the Scientific Council is requested to advise on the scientific basis for management of the following stock in the Denmark Strait and off East Greenland:

- i) Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*)

4. The Scientific Council should feel free to report on such other invertebrates and finfish stocks in Subarea 1 and on such other scientifically based management options for the above-mentioned Subarea 1 stocks, as it feels applicable.