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DENMARK (GREENLAND) REQUEST FOR SCIENTIFIC ADVICE ON MANAGEMENT OF CERTAIN STOCKS IN SUBAREAS 0 AND 1

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1. Denmark, on behalf of Greenland, request the Scientific Council, at a meeting in advance of the 1999 Annual Meeting, provide advice on the scientific basis for the management of the following fish stocks in Subarea 1 on a two-year basis (for the years 2000 and 2001):

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

Denmark, on behalf of Greenland, requests the Scientific Council to continue to monitor the status of these stocks annually and, should significant changes be observed in stock status, provide updated advice as appropriate.

2. Subject to the concurrence of Canada, the Scientific Council is also requested to provide advice on the scientific basis for the management of the following stocks overlapping Subareas 0 and 1:

Greenland halibut Roundnose grenadier

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 1995 report, the Scientific Council noted that the biomass of the inshore component of this stock in Subarea 1 was unknown. The Council is therefore asked to comment on the following topics:

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

For roundnose grenadier in Subarea 0+1, the advice of the Scientific Council has been constrained by the lack of scientific information, as there are no recent estimates of biomass for the entire stock area. Subject to the concurrence of Canada, the Scientific Council is requested to comment on advantages and disadvantages of a multiyear management advice for this stock.

3. Subject to the concurrence of Canada, Denmark, on behalf of Greenland, further requests that the Scientific Council of NAFO before December 1999, provide advice on the scientific basis for management of Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in Subareas 0 and 1 in year 2000 and as many years forward as data allow.

Further, in cooperation with ICES, the Council is requested to advise on the scientific basis for management of Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in the Denmark Strait and adjacent areas east of southern Greenland.

For Northern shrimp (*Pandalus borealis*) in Subareas 0 and 1 and in Denmark Strait the Scientific Council is requested to comment on advantages and disadvantages of a multiyear management advice.