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PROPOSED PLANS FOR PORT SAMPLING SURVEY IN 1988

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Japanese side will perform the 1988 port sampling as the following ways:

1. Place for sampling

Hanasaki Port, Nemuro City, Hokkaido

This port was selected because 57 vessels which is equal to 36 % of all the landbased vessels(157) are ordered to land their catches, and performance of sampling will be assured under the supervision of the enforcement officials of the Fisheries Agency who will be stationed there during fishing season.

2. Sampling period

From the beginning to the end of landing

3. Number of sampling vessels

20 vessels will be randomly sampled.

It will be able to cover 35 % of the vessels which are ordered to land their catches at Hanasaki Port(the same as the previous year's), or 12 % of all the landbased vessels(the same as the previous year's).

4. Surveying species

Surveying species is extended to the following three species.

Coho salmon

Steelhead trout

King salmon

5. Person for surveying

Enforcement officials of the Fisheries Agency

6. Procedures for surveying

(1) Discovering salmon without adipose fin

These enforcement officials will investigate the salmon landed at the market with cooperation of the personnel of the market in order to discover salmon without adipose fin.

(2) Surveying by a detector

All discovered salmon without adipose fin will be surveyed by a detector to determine the presence or absence of Coded Wire Tags(CWT) after being treated by a re-magnetizer.

(3) Preservation methods

All salmon which respond to the detector will be frozen as whole bodies in the freezer of Hanasaki market or Kushiro Fisheries Laboratory.

(4) Delivery to Canada

Samples are delivered to the attache of the Canadian Embassy at Kushiro after the end of the fishing season.

(5) Sampling data

Sampling data such as the total number of sampled fish, the number of fish without adipose fin, etc. will be delivered to Canada after the delivering of such samples on a timely basis.

7. Costs

(1) Cost of purchasing samples

The cost of purchasing samples which will be delivered to Canada should be reimbursed by Canada at the market price of the day.

(2) Freezer storage cost

Freezer storage cost should be borne by Canada.

(3) Shipping cost

Shipping cost should be borne by Canada.

8. Survey results

(1) Japanese side will label samples the following data as much as possible:

a. Name of the vessel which caught the sample

b. Landing date

c. Sphere of catching position

d. Sphere of catching date

(2) Should Canada publish a report based on analysis of the sample data acquired through the cooperation of the Government of Japan, whatever the form of this document might take, Canada should, prior to its release, notify Japanese scientists of its contents.

(3) Japanese side will provide an INPFC Document summarizing the results of the 1988 port sampling program prior to the 1988 meeting of the salmon sub-committee.