

Remarks to the project of Convention

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Art.4

- (a) the western boundary of the proposed South Pacific regional fisheries management organisation should be 150° E or EEZ of Australia/New Zealand;
- (b) the southern boundary of the proposed South Pacific regional fisheries management organisation should be the northern boundary of the Agreement area of the Commission for the Conservation of the Antarctic Living Marine Resources (CCAMLR) – 60° S;
- (c) the eastern boundary of the proposed South Pacific regional fisheries management organisation should be the outer limit of the maritime jurisdictions of South American states;
- (d) the northern boundary of the proposed South Pacific regional fisheries management organisation should be 5° N from EEZ of South America States to 120° W and 25° S from 120° W to EEZ of Australia/New Zealand;

It gives the possibility to use database for previous years from FAO Yearbooks and other sources.

Art.11 Really in open water it is better make fish stocks committee, not regional. So it is proposed to establish 2 committees: 1). – High migrated fish (mackerel, horse mackerel, sardine) 2). - Fish of submerged ridges (beryx and other) and, possible, 1 subcommittee for squids.

Every Contracting Party may be a member of any Committee (not only “ the Contracting Parties situated adjacent to, or whose vessels are fishing in, that part of the Area for which the The Commission shall Committees respectively have responsibilities.”).

Art.15 5. The Commission shall have website where all new information, especially about fisheries rules, TAC and allocation to the Contracting Parties are present. Also need to detect what is “confidential information” in fishery.

Art.19. Point 1. shall be next:

1 Every Contracting Party has the right to access to fish all kinds of fish and non-fishery organisms. Allocation for every Contracting Party and temporary bans for fishing are established by Commission after Science Committee recommendations. New coming Contracting Party can use non-full utilized fishing resources and new objects of fishing.

Art.20 It is better to delete or deep change this article.

Such redaction makes impossible new fishery at all. It gives scheme “no new fishing”→ “no information to Scientific Committee”→ “no recommendation” → “no new fishing”.

It is better to use next scheme:

“Unlimited new fishing (for example, 1 year)”→ “information to Scientific Committee”→ “recommendation”→ “limited new fishing”.

Scheme of such type use other RFMO.

Art.27 Point 2.

- (b) 100% level of coverage for different fisheries and different sizes and types of fishing vessels (at least in open water, outside EEZ);.