

CONVENTION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF
ANADROMOUS STOCKS IN THE NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN

The Parties to this Convention:

Recognizing that anadromous stocks in the North Pacific Ocean originate primarily in the waters of Canada, Japan, the Russian Federation and the United States of America;

Recognizing that these stocks intermingle in certain areas of the North Pacific Ocean;

Recognizing that States in whose waters anadromous stocks originate have the primary interest in and responsibility for such stocks;

Recognizing that fisheries for anadromous stocks should be conducted only in waters within 200 nautical miles of the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured;

Recognizing that States of origin of anadromous stocks make expenditures and forego economic development opportunities to establish favourable conditions to conserve and manage those stocks;

Emphasizing the importance of scientific research for the conservation of anadromous stocks in the North Pacific Ocean;

Desiring to promote the acquisition, analysis and dissemination of scientific information pertaining to anadromous stocks and ecologically related species in the North Pacific Ocean;

Desiring to coordinate efforts to conserve anadromous stocks in the North Pacific Ocean; and

Desiring to establish an effective mechanism of international cooperation to promote the conservation of anadromous stocks in the North Pacific Ocean;