

Bering Sea and the stock of herring off the west coast of the Queen Charlotte Islands no longer met the qualifications for continued abstention. It accordingly recommended to the three governments concerned that these stocks of fish be removed from the abstention annex of the 1952 Convention. All stocks of salmon of North American origin and halibut in the North Pacific Ocean, exclusive of Bering Sea, as well as herring off the rest of the coast of British Columbia, continue to be subject to abstention.

The Convention may be terminated by any one of the three signatory countries after June 12, 1963, on twelve months' notice. Japan has requested a review of the Convention and arrangements are being made for a tripartite meeting in Washington in June to consider the continuation or possible modification of the Convention. The Government has decided to appoint an advisory committee of representatives of recognized fishing associations on the West Coast for consultation in connection with these negotiations and with the work of the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission.