

ANNEX IV

CHAPTER 1

Transboundary Rivers

1. Recognizing the desirability of accurately determining exploitation rates and spawning escapement requirements of salmon originating in the Transboundary Rivers, the Parties shall establish a Joint Transboundary Technical Committee (Committee) reporting, unless otherwise agreed, to the Northern Panel and to the Commission. The Committee, *inter alia*, shall
 - (a) assemble and refine available information on migratory patterns, extent of exploitation and spawning escapement requirements of the stocks;
 - (b) examine past and current management regimes and recommend how they may be better suited to achieving preliminary escapement goals;
 - (c) identify enhancement opportunities that:
 - (i) assist the devising of harvest management strategies to increase benefits to fishermen with a view to permitting additional salmon to return to Canadian waters;
 - (ii) have an impact on natural Transboundary river salmon production.
2. The Parties shall improve procedures of coordinated or co-operative management of the fisheries on Transboundary River stocks.
3. Recognizing the objectives of each Party to have viable fisheries, the Parties agree that the following arrangements shall apply to the United States and Canadian fisheries harvesting salmon stocks originating in the Canadian portion of
 - (a) the Stikine River:
 - (i) in 1985 and in 1986 Canada shall annually harvest 35% of the total allowable catch of sockeye originating in the Canadian portions of the Stikine River or 10,000 such sockeye, whichever is greater;
 - (ii) in 1985 and in 1986 Canada shall annually harvest 2,000 Stikine River coho;
 - (iii) in the years 1985 through 1995, the Parties shall take appropriate management action to ensure that the escapement goal of 19,800 to 25,000 chinook salmon in the Canadian portion of the Stikine River is achieved by 1995;
 - (iv) in 1985, since the run of sockeye is anticipated to be below average, in-season run-size determination and subsequent management actions will be necessary to ensure that harvest objectives and escapements are met;