

"It was just accepted that they reject all the NAFO quotas and set their own, and some cases, these were eight to 10 to 12 times higher than those allowed by NAFO," he said.

"Obviously, this year, after our campaign and the explanation of our point of view and our position, the matter is being looked at seriously by the European Community," he said.

Crosbie suggested that when the news comes out of Europe that the EC has objected to the NAFO quotas, Canadians should remember that the move is a procedural device to keep the issue open until the meeting of the Council of Fisheries Ministers on December 18.

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