- 5. If management measures result in a significant deviation from catch levels set out in paragraph 4 in any year, differences shall be compensated by adjustments to the fishery in subsequent years, provided that conservation objectives for natural coho stocks and other principles of Article III are not adversely affected.
- 6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Chapter, the Commission, for 1987 and thereafter, shall set specific harvest levels for coho salmon in the intercepting fisheries in areas described in paragraph 4.

CHAPTER 6

Southern British Columbia – Washington Chum Fisheries

Considering that anticipated returns of some natural salmon stocks originating in Johnstone Strait, the Strait of Georgia, the Fraser River, Puget Sound, Juan de Fuca Strait and Nitinat Lake are expected to be weak and therefore not likely to provide a harvestable surplus in 1985, although some enhanced stocks originating in these areas may provide harvestable surpluses and anticipating locally directed fisheries on such enhanced stocks, the Parties shall

- 1. no later than March 31, 1985, establish a Joint Chum Technical Committee (Committee) reporting, unless otherwise agreed, to the Southern Panel and the Commission, to, *inter alia*,
 - (a) identify and review the status of stocks of primary concern;
 - (b) present the most current information on harvest rates and patterns on these stocks, and develop a joint data base for assessments;
 - (c) collate available information on the productivity of chum stocks in order to identify escapements which produce maximum sustainable harvests and allowable harvest rates;
 - (d) present historical catch data, associated fishing regimes, and information on stock composition in fisheries harvesting those stocks;
 - (e) develop analytical methods to permit the exploration of alternative regulatory and production strategies;
 - (f) identify information and research needs, to include future monitoring programs for stock assessments;
 - (g) develop fishery regimes for the 1985 season and thereafter.
- 2. no later than August 15, 1985, instruct the Committee to present a report to the Parties on the activities set out in paragraph 1 herein.