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for the Conservation of the Fisheries Resources of the North Pacific Ocean

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Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure of transmitting to you the Commission's recommendation to amend the Annex to the International Convention for the High Seas Fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean ("the Convention"), as amended by the Protocol signed at Tokyo, April 25, 1978.

This recommendation to amend the Annex to the Convention was adopted by the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission by correspondence on April 24, 1990, in accordance with the provisions of Article III, paragraph 1, subparagraph (c) of the Convention. It is recommended to all the Contracting Parties to amend the present Annex by adding after paragraph 3 a new paragraph 4 to read as follows:

"4. In 1990 only, the Japanese mothership fishery can be converted to a non-traditional landbased fishery ("the non-traditional landbased fishery").

The non-traditional landbased fishery may be conducted in the areas specified in sub-paragraphs (b) and (c) of paragraph 1 above, according to the conditions stipulated in sub-paragraphs (b) and (c) of paragraph 1 above respectively. The provisions of sub-paragraph (f) of paragraph 1, paragraph 2 and paragraph 3 above shall not apply to the non-traditional landbased fishery. For the purpose of the non-traditional landbased fishery, a mothership fleet day is defined as one day when fishing vessels engaged in the non-traditional landbased fishery in the area concerned use 14,190 tons (330 tons/15 km) of fishing nets during a portion of any one calendar day."