

### Summary of Recommendations

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The Committee recommends that:

- (1) The Department of Fisheries and Oceans, in co-operation with the relevant provincial and territorial governments, undertake an economic comparison of the freshwater fisheries of the Ontario and Western Regions.
- (2) The Department of Fisheries and Oceans undertake a comprehensive study of the Canadian fish and seafood market to determine the size, nature and potential of the domestic market for the purpose of providing sound bases for future fish marketing plans.
- (3) The economic viability of local processing be investigated by the respective provincial governments.
- (4a) The responsibility of granting licences for the purchasing, processing and marketing of carp, mullet and other low value species be given to an impartial body composed of federal and provincial officials with the inclusion of a representative from the FFMC.
- (4b) Research and development work be accelerated to find alternative uses for rough fish species.
- (5) Variable pricing be implemented on a larger scale to control surges in delivery as well as quality levels. The fishermen affected by this should be fully informed of the pricing changes as well as the reasons for implementing them.
- (6a) The provinces consult with the FFMC when establishing quota levels with a view to achieving a better coordination of supply and demand.
- (6b) The provinces investigate the possibility of issuing transferable licences specifying annual quotas, the amounts of which would be staggered throughout the year.
- (7) A permanent inter-provincial freshwater fishery committee composed of provincial and territorial government representatives, FFMC officials,