

North Atlantic Marine Mammal Commission

Third meeting of the Council, Reykjavik 1-2 July 1993

Report of the Second Meeting of the Management Committee

The Chairman of the Management Committee, Kjartan Hoydal, welcomed representatives from all member countries to the second meeting of the Management Committee on 1 July in Reykjavik.

1. Rules of Procedure

Einar Lemche (Greenland) presented Draft Rules of Procedure for the Management Committee, which Greenland had agreed to prepare and circulate prior to the meeting. He explained that in preparing the draft, he had drawn closely on the model used in NASCO, eliminating those elements not considered appropriate for use in NAMMCO, where consensus-based decisions do not require such complicated rules.

After a brief discussion amongst delegates, the Rules of Procedure for the Management Committee were adopted by the Committee without amendments to the draft text. The Rules of Procedure are included with this report.

2. Inspection and Observation Working Group

The Management Committee decided to establish a Working Group to analyze the elements of possible inspection and observation schemes. The Working Group would report back to the Management Committee. Einar Lemche (Greenland) would chair the Working Group.

3. The Scientific Committee Working Group on Management Procedures

The Management Committee discussed certain elements of the mandate given to the Scientific Committee's Working Group on Management Procedures pursuant to a decision of the Management Committee at its Tromsø meeting on 19-20 January 1993. With respect to the general aspects of the Working Group's mandate, it was agreed that its task would be to review management procedures in general, including to review the main systems that are developed in various fora and provide an assessment of their parameters on the basis of how they would be applied in individual cases.