

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Council, SSC, and AP members
FROM: Jim H. Branson
Executive Director
DATE: September 16, 1982
SUBJECT: Joint Venture Update

ACTION REQUIRED

Information only.

BACKGROUND

Joint ventures have harvested 95,676 mt in the Bering Sea/Aleutians and 74,503 mt in the Gulf of Alaska through August 28. Gulf operations ended last April. Bering Sea operations are now limited to one or two companies. Summary tables of requests and catches to date are provided as item B-5(a) and (b). B-5(c) is a report from FPA. Additional information is given below.

1. Marine Resources Company's Soviet Joint Venture

The yellowfin sole fishery has one to two processors northwest of the Pribilofs, two to three processors in Bristol Bay, and about eight vessels are being used. This fishery began in April and should end by late September. The catch stands at 34,500 mt, 80% flatfish, 10-12% codfish and the rest other species. The goal is to catch 37,000 mt by late September.

The Marine Resources Atka mackerel fishery will end in late September. The projected catch through September 15 is 16,000-16,500 mt, 60% Atka mackerel.

2. Universal Seafoods/Nippon Suisan

Their second joint venture ended on August 23. Three U.S. trawlers, GOLDEN FLEECE, STARWARD, AND NEAHKAHNE, have fished in this operation from Unimak Pass to the Pribilofs. The total catch was 11,400 mt, mostly pollock. Their first joint venture caught 9,908 mt.

3. Westward Trawlers/Taiyo Fishery Company

Their third operation will commence on September 25 with a goal of 10,000 mt mainly pollock from the Bering Sea. One processor and four to five U.S. trawlers will be used. Westward's earlier operations caught about 17,000 mt by early June.

4. Swiftsure/Chong Shing Ocean Enterprise

Operations have not commenced yet for lack of a vessel permit which is still in processing in Washington, D.C.

1982 JOINT VENTURE REQUESTS (METRIC TONS)

Company	Country	Area	Pollock	Pacific Cod	Atka Mackerel	Flatfish	Rockfish	Other Sp.	Total
MRC (18)*	USSR	BSA	10,500	14,000	14,000	35,100 ^{4/}	1,800 ^{1/}	600	76,000
		GOA	15,000	2,000	2,500	--	--	500	20,000
FRG (3)	W. Germany	BSA	2,000	8,000	500	100 ^{3/}	20 ^{2/}	300	15,420
		GOA	3,500	1,000					
JVF (5)	S. Korea	BSA/GOA	9,900	3,300	--	2,475	--	825	16,500
FPA (5)	S. Korea	BSA/GOA	27,000	900	--	--	--	2,100	30,000
UNI (4)	Japan	BSA/GOA	18,575	400	--	510	215	300	20,000
WTI (5)	Japan	BSA/GOA	28,500	600	--	--	--	900	30,000
JHA (4)	Japan	BSA/GOA	9,500	--	--	--	--	500	10,000
WFS (3)	Japan	BSA/GOA	9,500	300	--	--	--	200	10,000
MPK (6)	Poland	BSA	16,000	1,500	--	--	--	--	24,300
		GOA	6,000	800					
SSF (1)	Taiwan	BSA/GOA	1,000	4,000	--	500	--	200	5,700
TOTAL			156,975	36,800	17,000	38,685	2,035	6,425	257,920

MRC = Marine Resources Co.

FRG = Nordstern

JVJ = J.V. Fish. Ltd./N. Pac. Jt. Fishing Op. Committee

FPA = Fish Prod. Assoc./Korea Wonyang Fish.

UNI = Uni-Sea/Nippon Suisan Kaisha

WTI = Westward Trawlers/Taiyo

JHA = Jeff Hendricks/Hoko Fish.

WFS = Whitney-Fidalgo/Ohtori Suisan (Kyokuyo)

MPK = Mrs. Paul's/Polish Rybex

SSF = Swiftsure Fisheries/Chong Shing

*Anticipated maximum number of U.S. catcher boats.

^{1/} Includes 875 mt POP, 425 mt sablefish, 500 mt other rockfish^{2/} All sablefish^{3/} Includes 50 mt yellowfin sole, 50 mt other flounder^{4/} Includes 35,000 mt yellowfin sole and other flounders

JOINT VENTURE CATCHES (MT) FOR 1980-82

<u>Company</u> ^{1/}	<u>Country</u>	<u>Pollock</u>	<u>Pacific Cod</u>	<u>Atka Mackerel</u>	<u>Flatfish</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>%</u>
1982									
*MRC	USSR	--	--	--	--	--	49,180	96,000	51
FRG	Germany	1,500	2,500	--	--	--	4,000	15,420	26
JVF	Korea	--	--	--	--	--	16,321	16,500	99
FPA	Korea	--	--	--	--	--	32,023	30,000	107
UNI	Japan	--	--	--	--	--	21,308	20,000	107
*WTI	Japan	16,745	--	--	--	255	17,000	30,000	57
JHA	Japan	11,593	37	--	--	1	11,631	10,000	116
WFS	Japan	--	--	--	--	--	9,982	10,000	100
MPK	Poland	--	--	--	--	--	7,000	24,300	29
*SSF	Taiwan	--	--	--	--	--	--	5,700	--
1982 TOTAL							168,445	257,920	65
1981									
MRC	USSR	13,425	6,588	1,049	17,202	9,756	48,020	72,500	66
FRG	Germany	1,104	1,450	--	--	450	3,004	25,000	12
FPA	Korea	--	--	--	--	--	30,000	77,500	39
UNI	Japan	6,086	24	--	--	20	6,130	7,000	88
PAK	Japan	5,252	43	--	--	20	5,315	7,000	76
MPK	Poland	2,200	20	--	--	--	2,220	18,430	12
1981 TOTAL							94,689	207,430	46
1980									
MRC	USSR	4,885	7,290	260	11,771	648	24,859	31,500	79
FPA	Korea	6,287	1,376	6	737	165	8,571	122,500	7
1980 TOTAL							33,430	154,000	22

*Joint Ventures that have not completed operations in Alaska FCZ as of September 15, 1982.

^{1/} See Joint Venture Request Table for full company names. PAK denotes Pan-Alaska/Taiyo which had a joint venture only in 1981.

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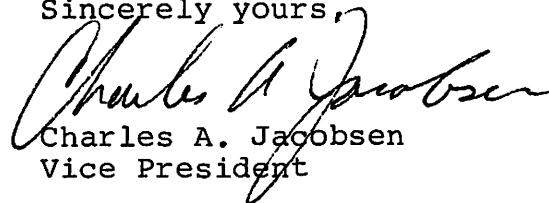
Dear Mr. Pautzke:

As an up date of our phone conversation of August 4, 1982, I would like to confirm that our 1982 joint venture operation concluded amicably on April 25, 1982 with a total of 32,023 metric tons delivered to Korea Wonyang Fisheries processors and that KWF has paid all outstanding invoices in full for fish delivered this year.

As we are again anticipating a joint venture fishery of at least the same tonnage as last year, the increase of the OY to 143,000 metric tons in the Shelikof area that the Council is recommending will hopefully offer our joint venture enough allocation security and latitude to co-exist with other joint ventures in that area. As you are aware, we have been successful fishing that zone for the past two years and would like to continue in the future.

We will keep you informed on any further details as plans unfold for next year.

Sincerely yours,


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 Vice President

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