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Mr. David Wallace,
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Dear Dave,

At its meeting February 24th the North Pacific Council took the following action on the foreign permit applications held for their consideration as outlined in my letter to you of February 10th.

They recommended approval for application # JA-78-0821 for the MATSUEI MARU # 72.

Recommended approval of application # JA-78-0822 for the EIKYU MARU #26 with the proviso that it not be permitted to have crab gear aboard when engaged in the longline fishery, nor longline gear aboard in the crab pot fishery. The attached letter from Mr. Sadayuki Kashiwagi, Anchorage representative of the Japanese Fisheries Association, outlines the activity and schedule intended for this ship in 1978.

Deferred a recommendation on application # JA-78-0851, TAISAN MARU #1 until further information on its proposed activities can be received from the Japanese Fisheries Association. We were told by Mr. Kashiwagi that this ship did not intend to start operating until May and that a delay in approval of its permit application would not interfere with its schedule. The reason for its application to conduct support activities in areas where it does not intend to fish has still not been satisfactorily explained. We expect the requested information from the Japan Fisheries Association prior to the next Council meeting.

On applications # KS-78-0042 - SOO GONG #51 and KS-78-0079 - BOOK NEUNG, which had applied for permits for processing and support activity in the Gulf of Alaska and the conduct of a joint venture purchasing raw fish from American boats, the Council voted to postpone a decision until July. This is in line with established Council policy which postponed consideration of joint venture applications until July 1, 1978 in order to better evaluate the activities of U.S. processors and fishermen in the groundfish fisheries off Alaska. The Council is currently financing

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a study on the effects of joint ventures and will have those study results available for consideration by their June meeting.

Two other applications for permits were received too late for the Council to consider at this meeting, however, they both fall within the guidelines allowing staff review. I therefore recommend approval for permit application # JA-78-0724, the KAIYO MARU #12, a stern trawler, and application # JA-78-0723, KAKUDAI MARU #31, a crab pot boat attached to one of the two mothership fleets operating in the Bering Sea.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 6, 1978

TO: Scientific and Statistical Committee Members, Advisory Panel Members, and Staff Members from NMFS, ADF&G and Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

FROM: Jim H. Branson, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Limited Entry Conference - Denver - July 17, 18 and 19, 1978

A National Conference on Limited Entry will be held in Denver, Colorado on July 17th, 18th and 19th at the Sheraton/Denver Airport Hotel.

The topics to be discussed include the economic, legal, social and conservation aspects of limited entry.

Additional papers will discuss previous experience with limited entry, including that in British Columbia, Alaska, and Michigan, the buy-back programs in Washington and British Columbia and one or two other papers to scope out other experiences in the United States and abroad.

Participation in this Conference is urged by Dr. Donald L. McKernan, Director of the Institute for Marine Studies of the University of Washington, who is chairing the steering committee for the Conference.

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council has agreed to find out who intends to go and would like the names of those who are planning to attend this Conference as soon as possible.

Personnel from the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission who will be attending this Conference are asked to send their names to the Council.

The Council will sponsor a few representatives, probably not more than 3 or 4. If you are in the Council group, (SSC, AP, Council) want to go and are not going as a representative of some other organization, please send your name to me for consideration by the Council as one of their delegates.

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