EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I am writing this report just prior to attending the Chairmen's Meeting in Portland on Friday and Saturday, May 15-16. I'll have an oral summary of that meeting on Wednesday when the Council convenes. The proposed agenda (Attachment 1) is devoted to developing a response to the proposed uniform standards, an exercise that I think is premature. As I noted in the last Council mailing, I had not intended to include the 'uniform standards' as an agenda item for this meeting but rather to recommend using a workgroup to develop a Council response. I still think that's the proper way of doing it. We may want to ask for an extension of the deadline so that the entire Council can review the response before it goes in. The proposed standards are going to require careful study and I seriously doubt that we can come to an eight-Council consensus on them in any case.

There was an industry-to-industry meeting (Japan-USA) May 8 in Seattle. I've no feedback on the discussion or its results but I hope there will be someone in attendance at this meeting that can make a report to the Council.

We have to settle on a 1988 meeting schedule at this meeting. The Policy and Planning Subcommittee is going to recommend shifting the meeting dates from March to April and May to June. Our suggested dates are in Attachment 2. If you want an out-of-town meeting, please indicate which meeting and where you would like it. We do have to book meeting places quickly or some of these windows will close.

The Secretarial Amendment repealing the Tanner Crab FMP and its implementing regulations became effective May 6. That resource will be under Alaska State management until a new FMP is implemented by the Council. Details on that process are in Agenda item D-1.

Because of a conflict with the Alyeska, Inc. reception on Wednesday evening, the announced 'no host' reception for John Harville has been cancelled. We have therefore set up a luncheon for Thursday to honor John who will be retiring as a member of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council after this meeting. John has been either the Director of the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission or the alternate for the Director since the Council was formed and is the longest serving member, the only one left of the original 15. Those of you who are coming to the luncheon, please contact Judy for reservations before 5:00 p.m. Wednesday. The price of the luncheon will be \$16. We'll all have more to say about John at the lunch so I'll hold the panegyrics for now.

AGENDA

Chairmen's Meeting Portland, Oregon

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9:00 - 9:15	Approval of Agenda and Minutes of Last Chairmen's Meeting
9:10 - 9:30	Update of Happenings since Puerto Rico Meeting.
9:30 - 12:00	Proposed Legislation
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 - 4:30	Review and Comments on the Secretary's Proposed Uniform Standards and the NMFS Response to the Blue Ribbon Panel Report
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9:00 - 10:30	Continuation of Review and Comments
10:30 - 12:00	Formulation of Consensus Response to Proposed Standards
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 - 2:30	Continuation of Consensus Response
2:30 - 3:30	Presentation of West Coast Procedures for Plan Development
3:30	New Business

PROPOSED 1988 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

January 18-22

April 11-15

June 20-24

September 26-30

December 5-9