

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, 1983

SUBJECT: Joint Venture Operations

ACTION REQUIRED

Information only.

BACKGROUND

The total joint venture catch off Alaska through September 3, 1983 was 334,267 mt. In the Gulf of Alaska, joint ventures harvested 136,086 mt of pollock and other species through September 3, 1983. By September 3 in the Bering Sea/Aleutians, joint ventures harvested 198,181 mt including 138,611 mt pollock, 33,819 mt flatfish, 13,567 mt Pacific cod, and 10,419 mt Atka mackerel. General summaries are given below.

1. Marine Resources Company - U.S.S.R.
(1983 request: 104,000 mt)

Pollock operations ran from April 22 to July 8 and caught 15,800 mt (of a 16,000 mt target) using five catchers delivering to one processor, mainly in the Unimak Pass area though the operations went as far north as the Pribilofs.

The yellowfin sole fishery began on February 15 and ended on August 26 with a catch of 36,500 mt of sole and cod using eight catchers and five processors in the area between Unimak Pass and Dillingham.

The Atka mackerel fishery began on April 17 and ended on August 31 with a catch of 19,450 mt using one processor, the SULAK, and seven catchers in the Segum Pass area.

2. Universal Seafoods/Nippon Suisan
(1983 request: 78,000 mt)

The first half of this operation ran from January 22 to March 23 and caught 33,000 mt of pollock from Shelikof Strait using six catchers and three processors.

The second half commenced on June 19 and ended on September 15 with a catch of 45,000 mt, mainly pollock, using seven catchers and two processors outside Dutch Harbor.

3. Westward Trawlers/Taiyo Fishery Company
(1983 request: 45,000 mt)

Pollock operations in Shelikof Strait ran from February 1 to March 31 and caught 28,597 mt that was 99.8% food grade pollock. Four catchers and two processors were used.

Operations continued on June 19 in the Unimak Pass area using two processors and seven catchers. This operation ended on September 14 with a catch of approximately 38,000 mt, mainly pollock.

4. Jeff Hendricks and Associates/Hoko Fishing Company
(1983 request: 26,000 mt)

Pollock operations began in the Unimak Pass area on April 6 and ended on July 20 with a catch of 31,487 mt, mainly of pollock, using six catchers and two processors.

5. Peter Pan Seafoods/Nichiro Gyogyo
(1983 request: 11,600 mt)

Pollock operations in Shelikof Strait ran from January 24 to late March and caught almost the entire quota of 11,600 mt using two catchers and one processor.

6. Whitney-Fidalgo Seafoods/Kyokuyo
(1983 request: 20,000 mt)

Pollock operations took 11,324 mt from Shelikof Strait between February 23 and March 15 using two catchers and one processor. Operations resumed on June 11 in the Bering Sea using three U.S. trawlers delivering to one processor. The operation ended on August 10 having caught 14,915 mt, mainly pollock.

7. Fish Producers Associates/Korea Wonyang Fisheries
(1983 request: 32,000 mt)

Pollock operations in Shelikof Strait began on February 12 and caught over 31,000 mt by May 21, using six Korean processors and eight U.S. trawlers full-time, and an additional ten U.S. trawlers on a part-time basis.

8. J.V. Fisheries, Ltd./North Pacific Joint Fishing Committee (ROK)
(1983 request: 18,000 mt)

The Shelikof Strait fishery caught 17,925 mt pollock from February 23 to March 29 using six catchers and three processors.

A yellowfin sole fishery using the Han Jin Ho purchased 2,851 mt of cod and sole from three U.S. trawlers during July and August.

A second yellowfin sole fishery began on June 12 and through August, caught about 2,600 mt of sole and cod using one processor and three U.S. catchers in the area from Bristol Bay to Unimak Pass. The goal for the operation is to reach 6,000 mt by the time operations cease at the end of September.

6. Operation of the Plant
(1988 request: \$2,000,000)

Plant operations in 1988 are estimated to require approximately \$2,000,000 for the purchase of raw materials and the purchase of fuel. The estimated cost of raw materials is \$1,500,000 and the estimated cost of fuel is \$500,000.

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7. Plant Maintenance and Repairs
(1988 request: \$1,000,000)

Plant maintenance and repairs are estimated to require approximately \$1,000,000 for the purchase of spare parts and the purchase of labor. The estimated cost of spare parts is \$500,000 and the estimated cost of labor is \$500,000.

8. Plant Insurance
(1988 request: \$1,000,000)

Plant insurance is estimated to require approximately \$1,000,000 for the purchase of fire and theft insurance. The estimated cost of fire insurance is \$500,000 and the estimated cost of theft insurance is \$500,000.

9. Plant Depreciation
(1988 request: \$2,000,000)

Plant depreciation is estimated to require approximately \$2,000,000 for the purchase of new equipment. The estimated cost of new equipment is \$2,000,000.

10. Plant Working Expenses
(1988 request: \$2,000,000)

Plant working expenses are estimated to require approximately \$2,000,000 for the purchase of raw materials and the purchase of fuel. The estimated cost of raw materials is \$1,500,000 and the estimated cost of fuel is \$500,000.

11. Plant Working Expenses (Continued)
(1988 request: \$1,000,000)

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9. North Pacific Corporation/Marine Enterprise Company (ROK)
(1983 request: 8,600 mt)

The operation began in Shelikof Strait on March 2, moved to the Bering Sea near Dutch Harbor in mid-April, and is now south of Unimak using one foreign processor and two U.S. trawlers. The catch has been mostly Pacific ocean perch, rockfish, and Atka mackerel. Operations will run until October 31, but it is anticipated that the total catch will fall short of the 8,600 mt goal.

10. Alaska Contact/Highly Enterprise Corp (Taiwan)
(1983 request: 4,000 mt)

The operation began on July 21 and has caught 1,750 mt of cod and flatfish working the east side of Kodiak. Using two processors and four to five catchers, they plan on fishing toward the 4,000 mt goal until mid- to late-November.

11. West German Joint Venture
(1983 request: 8,360 mt)

No joint ventures are operating yet.

JOINT VENTURES GULF OF ALASKA

VENTURE	NUMBER OF VESSELS ^{1/}	
	FOREIGN	U.S. ^{2/}
NIPPON SUISAN/UNIVERSAL SEAFOODS	3	6
NICHIRO GYOGYO/PETER PAN	1	2
KYOKUYO/WHITNEY FIDALGO	1	2
TAIYO/WESTWARD TRAWLERS	2	7
WONG YANG/FISH PRODUCERS ASSOCIATES	6	8
N. PAC. JOINT FISH. OP. COMM./J.V. FISHERIES	5	5
* MARINE ENTERPRISE/NOR. PAC. CORP.	1	4
* HIGHLY ENTERPRISE/ALASKA CONTACT.	2	5
TOTAL	21	38

CATCH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10:

POLLOCK	131,990
ALL OTHERS	4,456
TOTAL	136,446

BERING SEA/ALEUTIANS

VENTURE	NUMBER OF VESSELS	
	FOREIGN	U.S. ^{2/}
U.S.S.R./MARINE RESOURCES COMPANY	8	18
WONG YANG/FISH PRODUCERS ASSOCIATES	3	6
HOKO/JEFF HENDRICKS	1	4
* N.P.J.F. OP. COMM./J.V. FISHERIES	1	6
OHTORI/WHITNEY FIDALGO	1	3
NIPPON SUISAN/UNIVERSAL SEAFOODS	2	7
TAIYO/WESTWARD TRAWLERS	2	7
TOTALS	18	45

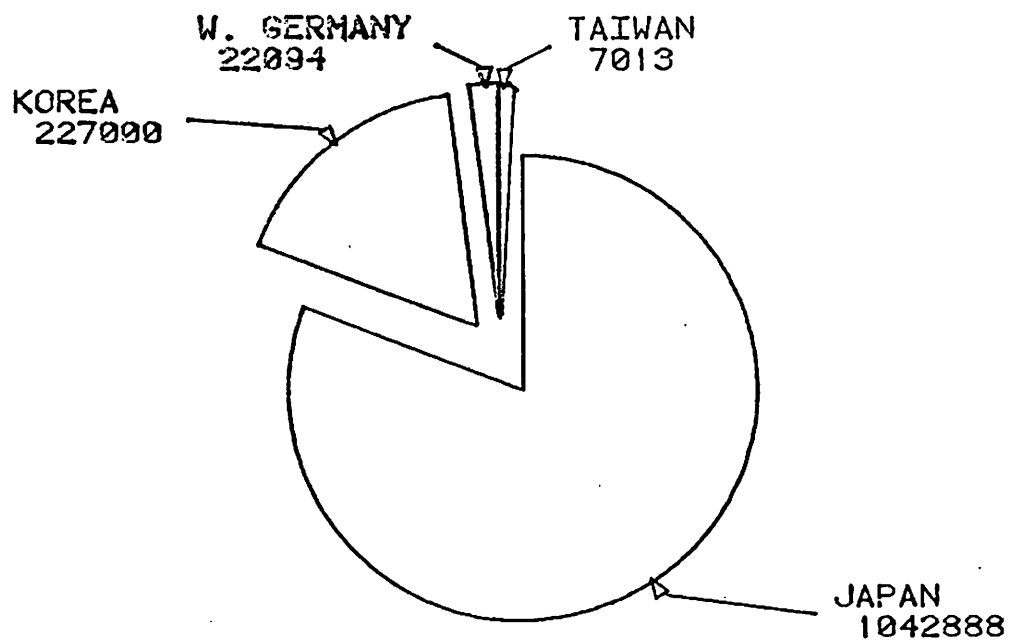
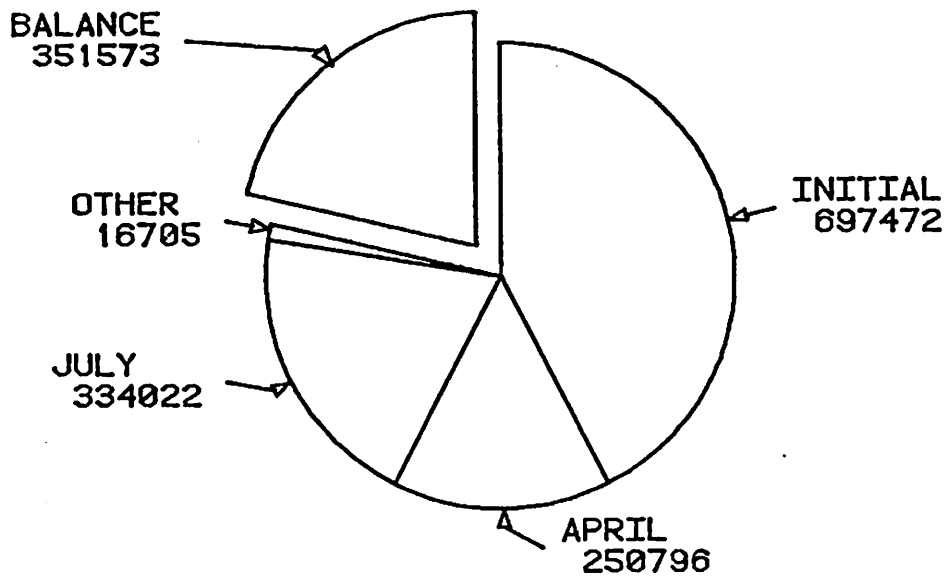
CATCH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10:

POLLOCK	143,772
FLOUNDERS	34,189
ALL OTHERS	26,819
TOTAL	204,780

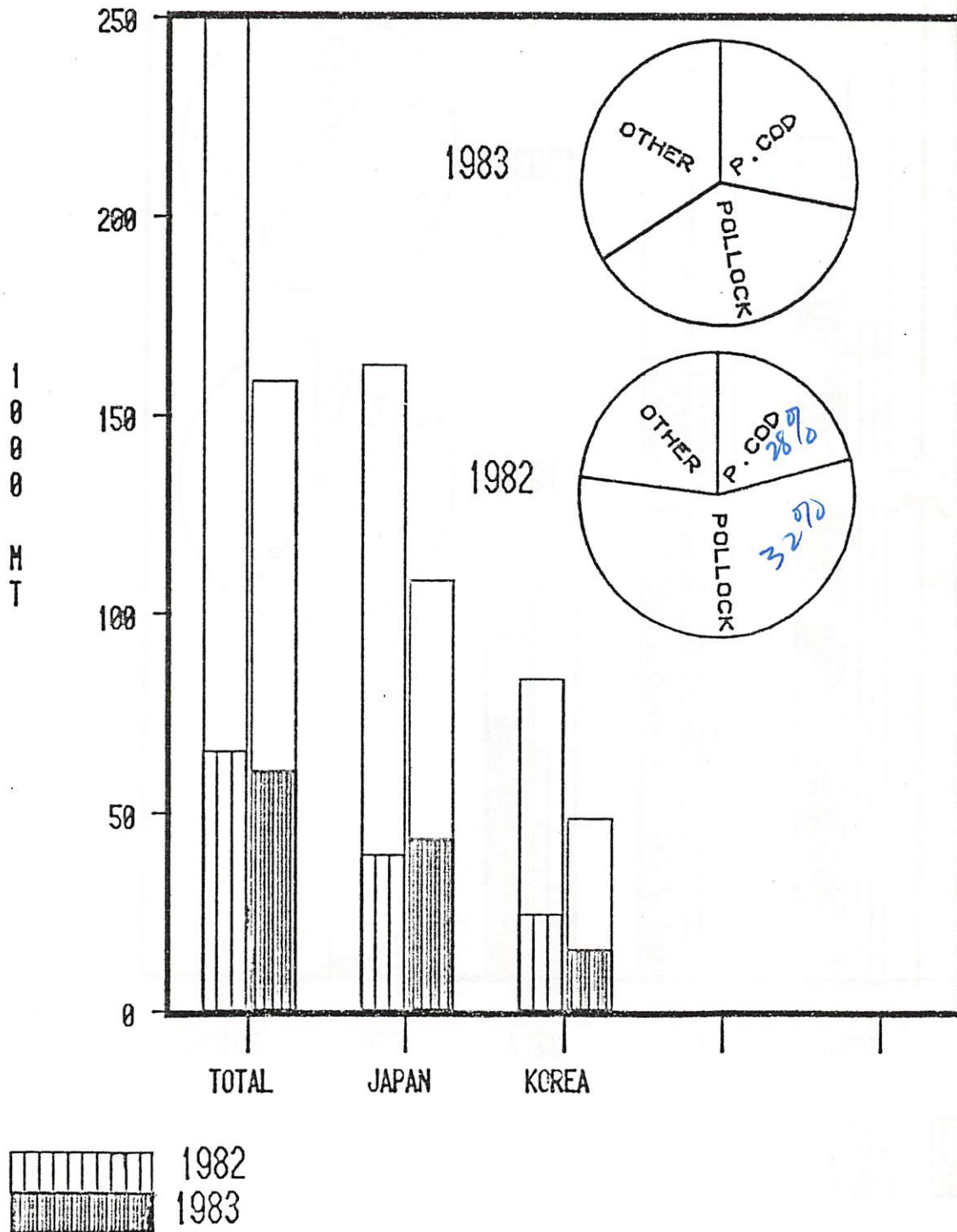
^{1/} maximum number; not necessarily present concurrently.
^{2/} some U.S. vessels have fished for more than one joint venture.
 * currently operating

ALLOCATIONS OF TALFF OFF ALASKA (MT)

(TALFF AFTER AUGUST RES. REL. = 1,650,568)



FOREIGN FISHING: GULF OF ALASKA (THROUGH AUGUST)





WESTWARD TRAWLERS, INC.

September 27, 1983

Mr. Jim Branson
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
605 West 4th Avenue
Anchorage, Ak. 99510

REF: Taiyo/Westward Joint-Venture
1983 Bering Sea Fishery

Dear Jim,

We are pleased to report that our fleet of seven U.S. Catcherboats completed fishing operation with Taiyo Fishery Co., Ltd. On September 14th, after delivering a total of 37,575.835 Metric tons of Marketable catch.

The breakdown of this catch, by tons and percentage was as follows:

Species	Metricions	Percent
Pollock (Food Grade)	37,349.895	99.40
Pollock (Meal Grade)	121.816	0.32
Pacific Cod	90.008	0.24
Sablefish	4.948	0.01
Rockfish	4.710	0.01
Sole	3.688	0.01

Fishing operations with Taiyo's Zuiyo Maru No. 3 terminated on 26 August; The Tenyo Maru remained to complete a 5,000 metric ton quantity that was voluntarily added by Taiyo to the originally contracted tonnage of 32,500 Mt.

Fishing was concentrated primarily in the Unimak area, with some fishing in the vicinity of Akutan and the Pribilofs. As done with our 1983 Shelikof Fishery, we will be furnishing N.M.F.S. with a full report of our fishing activities, in the format of the Joint-Venture Logbooks.

The successful completion of this contract brings our 1983 tonnage with Taiyo to a total of 66,173.60 metric tons. Taiyo's operational and financial performance throughout the two contracts have been outstanding. Westward and its catcher-boats are proud to be associated with Taiyo and look forward to our 1984 fisheries with them.

September 27, 1983

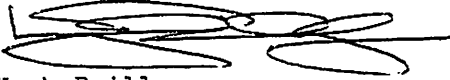
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I will be in Anchorage for the forthcoming council meeting and will be happy to answer any questions you or members of the council may have at that time.

Yours Very Truly,

Westward Trawlers, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hugh Reilly", with several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Hugh Reilly