North Pacific Fishery Management Council Public Hearing Attendance Record

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I wish to comment on the following Fishery Management Plan

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Council, SSC, and AP Members

FROM:

Jim H. Branson

Executive Director

DATE:

March 17, 1982

SUBJECT: 1982 sablefish allocations in the Gulf of Alaska

ACTION REQUIRED

Request the Secretary of State to withhold remaining sablefish TALFF in the Gulf of Alaska.

BACKGROUND

The Gulf of Alaska Plan Maintenance Team has recommended that the Gulf-wide sablefish OY be reduced from 13,000mt to 6,100 mt. This reduction should spur the rebuilding of the stocks and enhance prospects for a Gulf-wide domestic sablefish fishery.

Based on the PMT's recommendation, the sablefish TALFF would be lowered from 3,920 mt to 1,781 mt, as shown in the following table from the PMT Report [Agenda Item D-5(b)].

Table 5 -- Allocation of the 6,100 mt OY by Gulf of Alaska Management Area

	Western	Central	Eastern	Total
$oy^{1/2}$	1,238	2,267	$2,595\frac{3}{}$	6,100
Reserve	247	454	519	1,220
$DAH^{2/}$	409	859	$1,831^{3/}$	3,099
TALFF	582	954	245	1,781

So far this year about 1,960 mt of sablefish TALFF has already been allocated. The PMT's recommendation can start to be effective this year if the Council requests the State Department to withhold the remaining TALFF. Later in the year, after the domestic fishery's needs are established, some Reserve and unneeded DAH could be reallocated to TALFF.