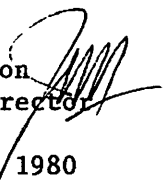


M E M O R A N D U M

TO: The Council

FROM: Jim H. Branson 
Executive Director

DATE: December 24, 1980

SUBJECT: Council Representation at Public Hearing in Sitka on January 31.

ACTION REQUIRED

Volunteer for Duty

BACKGROUND

The Council will hold a public hearing in the Maksoutoff Room of the Centennial Building in Sitka on January 31, 1981 from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. to receive public testimony on the proposed amendment to the Gulf of Alaska Groundfish Management Plan. This proposed amendment presents several alternative schemes for closing areas in the Eastern Regulatory Area to foreign trawlers and addresses several issues: time/area closures, foreign and domestic harvest levels for Pacific Ocean perch, sablefish harvest levels, and continuing existing no trawl areas for foreign fishermen.