

NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
STATUS REPORT ON JOINT VENTURE OPERATIONS OFF ALASKA FOR 1985

May 16, 1985

The total joint venture catch off Alaska through May 4, 1985 as reported by NMFS was 371,047 mt, which included the following species harvests:

<u>Species</u>	<u>Gulf of Alaska</u>	<u>Bering Sea/Aleutians</u>
Pollock	219,460 mt	109,393 mt
Pacific cod	940	14,715
Atka mackerel	*	5,900
Sablefish	3	14
Rockfish	1	*
Pacific ocean perch	13	43
Flatfish	73	7,853
Yellowfin sole	--	9,432
Turbot	--	79
Others	<u>1,910</u>	<u>1,218</u>
TOTAL	222,400 mt	148,647 mt

*less than 1 mt

There are 29 different joint venture arrangements so far in 1985. Their operations in the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska are summarized below.

1. Whitney-Fidalgo Seafoods/Ohtori Suisan (Japan)
(1985 request: 24,000 mt)

Operations began February 1 and through March 19 harvested 10,449 mt pollock from Shelikof Strait. Operations in the Bering Sea caught 2,651 mt pollock from March 23 to April 30 using three catchers and one processor.

2. Whitney-Fidalgo Seafoods/Kyokuyo (Japan)
(1985 request: 11,000 mt)

Operations from January 27 to March 16 harvested 10,431 mt pollock from Shelikof Strait.

3. Westward Trawlers/Taiyo (Japan)
(1985 request: 150,840 mt)

Shelikof operations commenced in February and through March 6, harvested 30,233 mt mainly pollock using eight to nine catchers and four processors. Operations moved to the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands on March 9 and harvested 46,330 mt pollock through April 22. Fishing will begin on June 12 in the Bering Sea with nine catchers and four processors targeting on pollock. Yellowfin sole operations will begin in July.

4. Westward Trawlers/Kanai (Japan)
(1985 request: 1,940 mt)

Operations will begin August 1.

5. Alyeska Ocean/Hoko (Japan)
(1985 request: 35,000 mt)

Shelikof operations commenced on February 6 and through March 16, harvested 11,398 mt pollock and 48 mt Pacific cod. Three catchers and one processor were used and the average catch per day was 318 mt, more than last year's catch per day of 284 mt. Operations shifted to Unimak Pass on March 20 and harvested 11,385 mt pollock and 186 mt cod by April 19 using three to four catchers and one processor. Operations will begin again June 7 with a harvest goal of 22,000 mt pollock by August 15 in the Bering Sea and Aleutians.

6. Peter Pan Seafoods/Nichiro Gyogyo (Japan)
(1985 request: 26,250 mt)

Shelikof operations commenced on February 2 and ended March 24 with a catch of 10,400 mt pollock using two catchers and one processor. Operations will begin again in the Bering Sea on May 20 using two catchers and three processors fishing yellowfin sole. Pollock operations will begin on June 15 using three catchers and one processor.

7. Universal Seafoods/Nippon Suisan (Japan)
(1985 request: 185,880 mt)

Shelikof operations commenced January 31 and through March 9 harvested 39,195 mt pollock using 10 catchers and 5 surimi factory trawlers. Operations shifted to the Bering Sea/Aleutians and between March 16 and April 22 caught another 42,780 mt pollock. Operations shifted to yellowfin sole in the Bering Sea and have harvested 1,500 mt using two to three catchers and one processor. This fishery will end on June 20 when operations shift to summer pollock.

8. Alaska Contact/Japan Medium Trawlers (Japan)
(1985 request: 20,500 mt)

Shelikof operations began February 17 and ended March 13 with a catch of 5,993 mt pollock using four catchers and three processors. Operations will begin again June 1 targeting yellowfin sole in the Bering Sea.

9. Alaskan Fisheries/Hokkaido Fisheries (Japan)
(1985 request: 2,220 mt)

Operations will commence in June.

10. Cal-Alaska/Marine Enterprise (South Korea)
(1985 request: 9,200 mt)

Shelikof operations ran from March 3 to March 29 and harvested 2,800 mt pollock using one catcher and one processor. Operations moved to the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands area and through May 11 harvested 1,300 mt pollock, sole, and cod. They will commence fishing Atka mackerel on June 1 in the Aleutians.

11. Alaska Joint Venture Fisheries/Nambug (South Korea)
(1985 request: 10,000 mt)

Shelikof operations ran from February 22 to April 16 and harvested 8,000 mt pollock using two catchers and one processor. Operations will begin again June 1 in the Bering Sea for pollock.

12. Alaska Joint Venture Fisheries/Daerim (South Korea)
(1985 request: 6,600 mt)

Shelikof operations ran from February 22 to March 31 and harvested 7,000 mt pollock using three catchers and two processors. Operations moved to Seguam Pass and between March 30 and May 11 harvested 2,300 mt Atka mackerel, 754 mt pollock, 150 mt cod, and 32 mt sole using four catchers and two processors.

13. Alaska Joint Venture Fisheries/Samho Moolsan (South Korea)
(1985 request: 25,000 mt)

Their initial operation began January 25 in Unimak Pass and harvested 1,800 mt cod and pollock by February 15 using two catchers and one processor. Shelikof operations began February 20 and by March 30 harvested 15,000 mt pollock using four to six catchers and three processors. Operations moved to Bristol Bay and by May 11 harvested 1,200 mt pollock, 250 mt cod, 400 mt sole, and 1,300 mt Atka mackerel using three processors and six catchers. Operations are now fishing mackerel in Seguam.

14. JV Fisheries/Oyang (South Korea)
(1985 request: 13,500 mt)

Shelikof operations commenced February 21 and through April 5 harvested 9,600 mt pollock using two catchers and one to two factory ships. In late April they shifted to Atka mackerel and by May 15 harvested 800 mt using two catchers and one processor. Plans are to stay until the end of May and then switch to pollock.

15. Alaska Contact/Hansung (South Korea)
(1985 request: 33,300 mt)

Operations commenced in Shelikof on February 17 and ended March 22 after harvesting 12,048 mt pollock using four catchers and two processors. Operations began again April 6 and harvested 78 mt Atka mackerel using two catchers and one processor. They then switched to the Bering Sea and have harvested 240 mt sole so far.

16. ProFish Alaska/Dongwon (South Korea)
(1985 request: 14,000 mt)

Shelikof operations harvested 4,858 mt pollock between February 24 and March 27 using two catchers and one processor.

Combined operations delivering to Dongwon, Silla, Dongbang, and Namyang Sa vessels began on April 20 using nine catchers and five processors in Seguam. The catch through May 11 was 1,635 mt which was over 90 percent Atka mackerel.

17. ProFish Alaska/Daiho (South Korea)
(1985 request: 4,500 mt)

Shelikof operations harvested 1,400 mt of pollock between February 24 and March 27 using one catcher and one processor. Operations have ceased for the time being.

18. Profish International/Silla (South Korea)
(1985 request: 13,500 mt)

Shelikof operations from February 24 through March 27 harvested 7,150 mt of pollock using two catchers and one processor. See Profish/Dongwon operations above for further activity.

19. ProFish Alaska/Dongbang (South Korea)
(1985 request: 2,600 mt)

See Profish/Dongwon operations above for further activity.

20. ProFish Alaska/Namyang (South Korea)
(1985 request: 5,200 mt)

See Profish/Dongwon operations above for further activity.

21. Arctic Venture Fisheries/Korea Wonyang (South Korea)
(1985 request: 37,000 mt)

Shelikof operations from March 5 to April 8 harvested 17,000 mt pollock using five catchers and three processors. Operations will begin again on June 15 for Bering Sea pollock.

22. Arctic Venture Fisheries/TransOcean (South Korea)
(1985 request: 3,000 mt)

Operations south of the Aleutians harvested 1,100 mt pollock, 40 mt cod, and 20 mt Atka mackerel using one catcher and one processor. Operations shifted to Atka mackerel in Segum Pass on May 9 and are expected to run until June 10.

23. Marine Resources Company (U.S.S.R.)
(1985 request: 200,000 mt)

Codfish operations began February 17 and through March 31 harvested 13,800 mt including 10,000 mt cod in the Unimak Pass area using 23 catchers and 13 processors. Operations switched to flounders on April 1 using seven processors and 27 catchers. Catch by May 15 was 27,600 mt.

The Soviet Atka mackerel fishery started April 20 using seven catchers and two processors and through May 15 harvested 4,000 mt.

24. Alaska Contact/Highly Enterprise (Taiwan)
(1985 request: 6,500 mt)

Operations commenced May 10 using four catchers and three to four processors for cod around Kodiak. Operations will later shift to the Bering Sea for sole and turbot.

25. St. George Tanaq/Highly Enterprise (Taiwan)
(1985 request: 9,000 mt)

Operations have not commenced.

26. Alaska Contact/Rybex (Poland)
(1985 request: 40,000 mt)

Shelikof operations began January 23 and through April 19 harvested 13,120 mt of pollock using five catchers and three processors. Operations shifted to Unimak on April 21 and have harvested 895 mt pollock through May 11 using three processors and four catchers.

27. Quest Export Trading/Rybex (Poland)
(1985 request: 10,000 mt)

Shelikof operations began February 24 and through April 29 harvested 4,237 mt pollock using one catcher and one processor. Operations moved to the Bering Sea and have taken 1,000 mt pollock through May 11 using two catchers and one processor.

28. Alaska JV Fisheries/Iceland
(1985 request: 15,000 mt)

Operations have been cancelled.

29. ProFish Alaska/Solseca (Portugal)
(1985 request: 10,000 mt)

Operations commenced February 7 and through mid-March harvested 750 mt cod in the Bering Sea/Aleutians area using two catchers and one processor. No additional fishing has occurred.

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Interim Report - 1985 Hoko-Alyeska Ocean Joint Alaska Pollock Fishery:
(2) Bering Sea (Unimak)

Dear sirs:

For the reference of the members of the Council, we are pleased to provide the following interim report of our 1985 United States-Japan joint Alaska pollock fishery:

Japanese Company
Hoko Fishing Company
No. 2-4, 1-chome, Tsukiji,
Chuo-ku
Tokyo, Japan

Name and Size of the Processing Vessel
Tsuda Maru

111 meters
4,137 gross tons

American Company
Alyeska Ocean, Inc.
816 Fourth Street
Anacortes, Washington 98221

Name and Size of the Vessels

M/V Alyeska	198 gross tons
M/V Aldebaran	195 gross tons
M/V Arcturus	198 gross tons
M/V Andrew McGee (began April 8, 1985)	198 gross tons

Beginning Date of Fishing (GMT) March 20, 1985

End of Fishing (GMT) April 21, 1985

Type of Gear Mid-water trawl only

Area of Fishing 54-30N to 55 00N lat
164-30W to 165-30W long

