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MEMORANDUM

March 29, 1989

SUBJECT: Joint Resolution relating to economic  
sanctions against Taiwan (W.O. 6-1128)

TO: Senator Lloyd Jones  
ATTN: Ray Matiashowski

FROM: George Utermohle *GU*  
Legislative Counsel

Enclosed is the resolution relating to economic sanctions against Taiwan for high seas interception of Alaska salmon and steelhead, as requested by Ray Matiashowski of your staff.

The resolution contains the substance of the proposed resolution submitted with your request, though some changes were made to the wording in order to clarify portions of the resolution. Also additional whereas clauses were added in order to describe the processes to be followed under the "Driftnet Act" and the "Pelly Amendment." Please review the resolution to ensure that it reflects your position on economic sanctions against Taiwan.

If I may be of further assistance, please advise.

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Enclosure

WORK ORDER REQUEST FORM

W.O. 16- 1128

Keywords: fish/game, fisheries  
international relations

Assigned To: Uterwohle

Request For: Bill  Resolution  Research  Other

Subject High Seas Interception of Salmon

Requested For Sen. Jones By Ray Matlashowski Phone 3743

Deliver To Sen. Jones, Cap 9 Taken By Barnes

Instructions, Explanations \_\_\_\_\_

Draft resolution relating to high seas interception of salmon, per attached.  
Please rev/cv for constitutionality.

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Special Drafting Instructions Attached

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**Senator Lloyd Jones**

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Senators  
**FROM:** Senator Lloyd Jones  
**DATE:** April 8, 1989  
**SUBJECT:** Attached resolution urging Pelly Amendment sanctions against Taiwan

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Attached is a resolution I plan to introduce on Tuesday, April 11. The resolution requests the President of the United States to immediately invoke the full extent of the Pelly amendment against Taiwan.

Taiwan has continually refused to enter into monitoring and enforcement agreements with the United States Department of Commerce with regard to its high seas driftnet fishing activities. The Pelly amendment serves to limit the importation of fish and aquatic products into the United States from the offending country, and is a major tool the United States has in resolving the ongoing interception problem.

This resolution was put together with the endorsement and help of SEACOPS and the Southeast Seiner's Association.

If you wish to cosponsor this resolution please contact my office at 3743 before 5:00pm Monday.

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March 28, 1989

Senator Frank Murkowski  
709 Hart Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Murkowski:

Please consider this letter an expression of our total support of the efforts of our local SEACOPS organization, who are solely dedicated to stopping the high seas interception of salmon and steelhead and the wasteful killing of non-targeted fish and marine mammals.

As you are well aware, salmon and commercial fish products are one of our leading industries and represent 17%-20% of our local economy.

Without Federal intervention, both political and legal, Alaska fishermen could be devastated within a few years.

We continue to need your support in this matter and request the the names and addresses of other Legislators who share the same views.

Sincerely,

*Bob De Witt / by amh*

Bob De Witt  
Vice-President

cc: Senator Ted Stevens  
Representative Don Young  
Senator Lloyd Jones, Alaska  
Representative Robin Taylor, Alaska  
Representative Cheri Davis, Alaska  
SEACOPS Organization, Alaska

TELEFAX COVER MEMO

TO: SENATOR Lloyd Jones PHONE # 465-3700  
 FROM: SEACOPS PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_  
 INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

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 SENT BY: Lonnie Haughton

Lloyd - ANB #14 (and Don Hoff, Jr) have asked me to fax to you a copy of the following letter which was sent to Senators Stevens and Murkowski and Representative Don Young.

For your information SEACOPS has 440 members as of 1/17/89. Membership is presently growing at 6 or 7 per day on average. Good luck - Lonnie

Alaska Native Brotherhood & Sisterhood - Camp No. 14  
PO Box 6295, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901

January 16, 1989

Senator Ted Stevens  
522 Hart Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Stevens,

On January 10, 1989, at the regular meeting of Alaska Native Brotherhood and Alaska Native Sisterhood, Camp 14, Ketchikan, Alaska, information by SEACOPS was presented concerning foreign high seas interception of Alaska-origin salmon.

We are deeply concerned that Asian fishermen are illegally harvesting OUR salmon. In Ketchikan, Native People depend on these returning salmon for subsistence and for their economic livelihood. For us, the 1988 fishing season was a disaster; the 1989 salmon harvests look to be even worse.

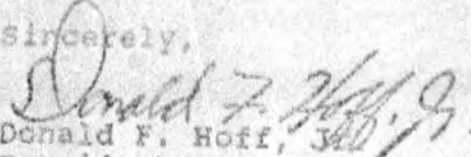
We ask that the United States government act to protect Alaska's salmon. The commercial and subsistence harvests of these fish benefit not only Alaska but the economy of the entire United States. We ask that Congress promptly deal with this problem of piracy of Alaska's salmon by the supposed squid fleets of Japan, Taiwan, and Korea.

We ask that the United States government provide ships to adequately patrol and monitor fishing activities throughout the migratory range of North American salmon.

The information provided by SEACOPS indicates that Taiwanese companies are flooding the world markets with pirated immature North Pacific salmon. We ask that our Department of State negotiate a treaty whereby Taiwan directly forbids its fishermen to catch or retain salmon and whereby Taiwan accepts help from the United States in high seas enforcement of such prohibitions.

We need immediate action to protect our Native lifestyle. We hope that you will respond soon to our concerns. Please be advised that we support the activities of SEACOPS and other concerned organizations in their fight to save our salmon.

Sincerely,

  
Donald F. Hoff, Jr.  
President ANB Camp 14

cc: Richard Stitt, ANB Grand President  
Governor Steve Cowper  
State Senator Lloyd Jones  
SEACOPS

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OUTLINE OF THE JAPANESE SQUID DRIFTNET FISHERY

DRIFTNET SPECIFICATIONS -

Material - Nylon monofilament  
 Mesh Size - 4.53 inches to 4.72 inches  
 Depth - 29.8 feet to 32.8 feet  
 Length - 450 to 1200 "tans" (the specifications provided by the Fisheries Agency of Japan give conflicting data on the length of one "tan". Depending on the source, 1200 "tans" is either 27 to 37 miles OR 53 to 67 miles).

TIME AND AREA RESTRICTIONS -

Japan grants two types of squid driftnetting permits. One allows fishing from June 1 to December 31 and the other restricts fishing to a four month period - August 1 to November 30. The area where the squid driftnet vessels are allowed to fish is enclosed by 20 degrees N, 145 degrees W, 170 degrees E, and a northern boundary which varies monthly from 40 degrees N to 46 degrees N. In theory these northern boundaries, which were determined from studies of ocean surface temperatures, keep the squid fleet south of the North American salmon stocks. (United States scientists have shown that in recent years the cooler salmon-bearing waters have extended 200 miles south into the legal squid fishing area. Limited enforcement surveillance in 1988 showed an alarming number of Japanese vessels, many with their names covered, fishing outside the legal area).

VESSEL SPECIFICATIONS -

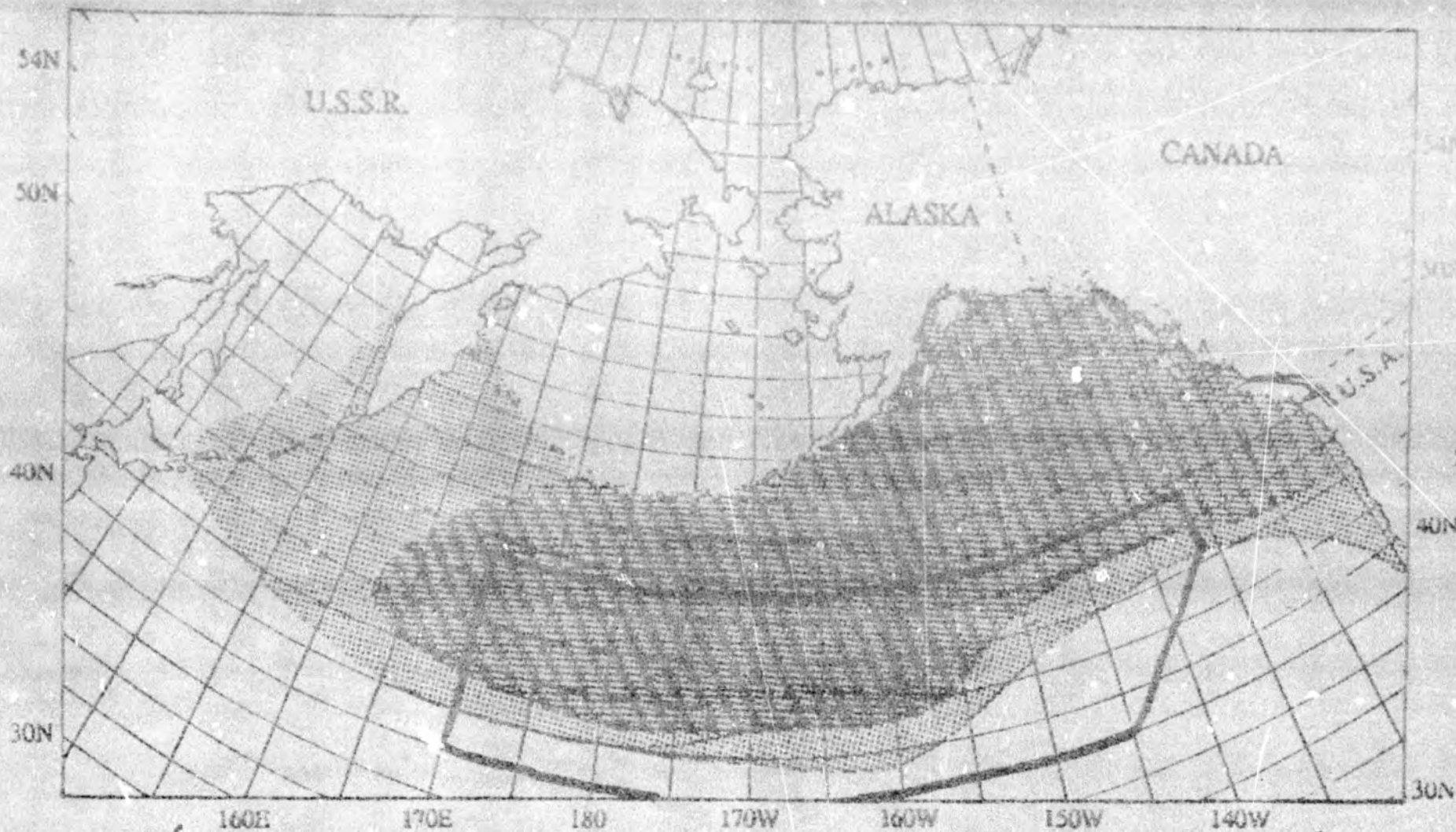
In order to control squid fishing efforts the number of vessels is restricted to no greater than that approved for the previous year -

Vessel Class	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
59-100 tons	285	265	259	337	209	202
100-500 tons	230	240	243	255	269	261
Total	515	505	502	492	478	463

CATCH -

The fishery targets "flying squid" (*Onastrephes bartrami*) but also harvests 5,000 to 9,000 metric tons of albacore, skipjack, yellowtail and pomfret each year. The Fisheries Agency of Japan reports "the catch of salmon and trout is prohibited."

Tonnage	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987
Squid -	216,776	123,719	197,795	152,224	208,315



(CHECKERED AREA REPRESENTS STEELHEAD MIGRATION ZONES)

Figure 8. Known distribution of North American steelhead as evidenced by recoveries of marked or tagged fish within the larger distribution of steelhead determined from catch data.

1988 "SQUID" FISHING OPERATIONS



700 Water Street—Upper  
 Ketchikan, Alaska 99901  
 Telephone (907) 225-8004

January 3, 1989

Dear SEACOPS member,

Our goal in the SEACOPS office is to provide the membership with a monthly update on SEACOPS activities. This is also the space where I ask you for further assistance in the fight against high seas piracy of salmon and steelhead - please write or phone at least one political official NOW to express your concerns! Addresses for some of our political leaders are enclosed - tell them SEACOPS sent you.

Also enclosed is a photo of squid, mackerel and a tuna on the deck of an Asian driftnet vessel. Dolphins, porpoises, tuna, salmon and steelhead are a very common bycatch of this high seas fishery. The photo shows the size of the targeted squid (compare them to the feet of the crew member in the upper right). It is easy to see that the driftnet mesh size (4.6 inches) appropriate for catching these squid is also ideal for harvesting 3-pound salmon and steelhead.

From its inception only 14 weeks ago, SEACOPS membership now exceeds 350 - commercial fishermen, sport and charter fishermen, processors, lodges, businesses, cities and towns, environmentalists and other concerned citizens. We are united on this sole issue - opposition to the high seas interception of North American salmon and steelhead by the "squid" driftnet fleets of Japan, Taiwan, and Korea.

SEACOPS now has Alaskan chapters in Sitka, Juneau, and Petersburg. Organizing efforts are ongoing in Craig, Wrangell and other Southeast Alaska communities. There are active SEACOPS members in Seattle and in British Columbia. SEACOPS membership stretches from Bethel, Alaska to Corvallis, Oregon (and one from Florida). A SEACOPS goal is to unite the entire Pacific coast is a call for political action to save our fisheries.

There are many individuals and groups that have worked hard to further the goals of SEACOPS. It is impossible to recognize all of them, but I will take this opportunity to briefly praise four that deserve an extra "pat on the back".

1. The entire leadership of Sitka-SEACOPS for their extra effort in all areas including membership.

2. The membership in British Columbia. At recent Washington, DC negotiations concerning salmon interception and the high seas squid fishery, the delegates from Canada were the toughest in their demands for the protection of North American salmon. The Canadians attributed their new firm policy to the demands of their West Coast fishermen. We all need to prod our politicians as hard as have the SEACOPS members in British Columbia.

3. Alaska Senator Frank Murkowski deserves another round of thanks for his active leadership to save our salmon and steelhead. Encourage him to keep up the good work - phone (202) 224-6665. Tell him you are a member of SEACOPS.

4. Community leaders in Ketchikan for their recognition of the necessity of prompt and generous action to save the 1988 fisheries. A special thanks to the Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce.

SEACOPS is pursuing various means to raise the awareness of citizens and governments to the high seas slaughter of our salmon and steelhead. These include:

1. A strong push to inform and alarm the steelheaders and other sportfishermen of the Pacific Northwest. SEACOPS estimates that over 200,000 immature steelhead are killed yearly by the high seas fleet. In 1987 and 1988 Canadian researchers fishing near Japanese squid vessels caught a sizable number of salmon and steelhead, including three tagged steelhead from Snake River hatcheries and a tagged Washington State coho salmon.

2. An informational mailing to 8,000 Alaska salmon permit holders.

3. Aid to EARTHTRUST, a Honolulu-based environmental group, in the production of a video of squid driftnet fishing. In 1988 an EARTHTRUST team secured unique underwater footage of a "squid" driftnet in action. SEACOPS has shown some of the film at meetings throughout Southeast Alaska (and on Ketchikan cable TV). SEACOPS and EARTHTRUST plan to distribute hundreds of copies nationwide of the completed video, which is due in mid-January.

4. SEACOPS plans to join with other organizations in joint lobbying missions to Washington, DC.

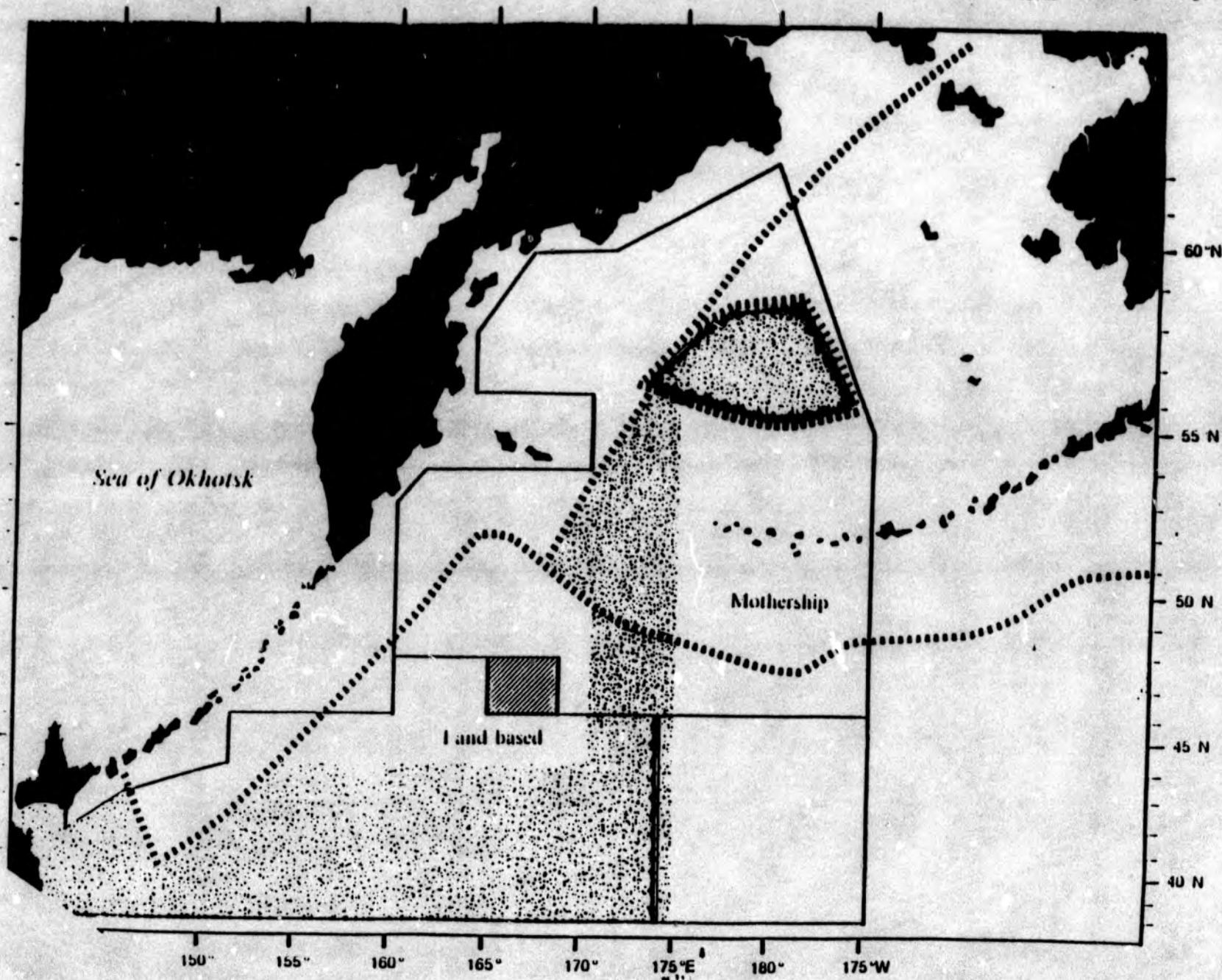
As the 1989 fishing seasons (for squid and salmon) approach we need to consider every possible means to stop the high seas piracy. If you have any ideas on the best methods to save our salmon and steelhead, write or phone the SEACOPS office or your local SEACOPS leaders.

Sincerely,

Lonnie Haughton - acting President SEACOPS

map E  
Japanese High Seas Salmon Fisheries

Area enclosed by 200 mile zone  
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----- 1959-1976 Japanese high seas salmon  
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----- 1978-85 Japanese high seas salmon fisheries



RESULTS OF THE 1988 JAPAN-USSR SALMON AGREEMENT

	<u>1987</u>	<u>ORIGINAL</u>	<u>1988</u> <u>REVISED</u>	<u>± CHANGE</u>
<u>TOTAL SALMON QUOTA (T)</u>	<u>24,500</u>	<u>20,826</u>	<u>17,668</u>	<u>-28</u>
<u>LAND-BASED DRIFNET</u>	<u>18,303</u>	<u>14,303</u>	<u>14,303</u>	<u>-6</u>
<u>MOTHERSHIP</u>	<u>9,207</u>	<u>6,434</u>	<u>3,276</u>	<u>-64</u>
 <u>TOTAL NUMBER OF FISH</u> (MILLIONS OF FISH)	 <u>19.2</u>	 <u>15.9</u>	 <u>N/A</u>	 <u>-17</u>
 <u>TOTAL COOPERATION FEE</u> (BILLIONS OF YEN) (MILLIONS OF \$)	 <u>3.7</u> <u>24.7</u>	 <u>3.7</u> <u>29.6</u>	 <u>3.4</u> <u>26.8</u>	 <u>-8</u> <u>-9</u>
<u>JAPAN'S MOTHERSHIP QUOTA</u>				
<u>TOTAL QUOTA (T)</u>	<u>9,207</u>	<u>6,434</u>	<u>3,276</u>	
U.S. EEZ	6,620	4,162	0	-100
BERING SEA "DONUT"	1,922	1,708	1,851	-4
N OF 46 DEGREES	665	564	1,425	-114
 NO. OF MOTHERSHIPS	 3	 2	 1	 -67
NO. OF CATCHERBOATS	129	86	43	- 67
 QUOTA PER CATCHERBOAT (T)	 71.4	 74.8	 76.2	 +8

# Northwest

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## Japan, Canada, U.S. agree to take action against driftnets

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) - Scientists from Canada, Japan and the United States have agreed to take action against the unregulated driftnet salmon fishery on the high seas, a federal spokesman said.

The driftnet catch of salmon stocks from Canadian, American and Japanese rivers is a problem that requires a coordinated international effort, said John Davis, regional director-general for science in the federal Fisheries Department.

The program was decided during a recent meeting of the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission in Tokyo, Davis said Tuesday. Canada, the United States and Japan are the only members of the commission.

It includes a network to exchange information on the fishing activities of non-commission nations in the north Pacific, a coordinated overview of each country's regulations, coordinated investigations of the traffic in non-INPFC salmon and diplomatic pressure.

Deepsea driftnets have been called the ocean-going equivalent of strip mining. The fence-like nets set by about 1,700 ships hang from the surface to a usual depth of about 25 feet. Individual nets are often 30 miles long.

Their fine nylon threads snag not only their main targets - salmon and squid - but also tuna, marlin, whales, porpoises, dolphins, seals and seabirds.

The Fisheries Council of British Columbia says the unregulated offshore fishery could be the cause of a drastic shortfall in the return of pink salmon to northern British Columbia rivers this year.

Fishing vessels and processors in Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia and Korea are believed to be involved in the unregulated fishery.

The Seattle-based Pacific Seafood Processors Association recently reported that Asian squid-fishing fleets are catching salmon and landing them in Singapore, where they are frozen, or in Bangkok, where they are canned and shipped to European buyers at half the price of Canadian, Japanese and U.S. canned salmon.

## Controversial cleric back from Rome

SEATTLE (AP) - Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen said Wednesday that a chat with Vatican officials left him hopeful that the Seattle archdiocese will soon be operating normally, even though

shared duties with two different bishop as unworkable and humiliating.

Hunthausen ran afoul of the Vatican over

The Sons of St. Peter Coalition provided a 40-page white paper to a special three-member

## Northwest high

### Cutter reassigned

GIG HARBOR, Wash. (AP) - The lone Coast Guard cutter in southern Puget Sound is being transferred to Florida next spring for patrols against drug-runners and other smugglers, officials said.

Ten people, including the crew of the 82-foot Point Glass and support personnel from the nearby Point Glass Coast Guard Station - both have the same name - are slated to make the move in mid-April, Chief Petty Officer Roy Compton said Monday.

Compton said the Point Glass had been assigned to the waters around the San Juan Islands about 80 days a year and was available for law enforcement, search-and-rescue missions and other work the rest of the time.

Lack of a cutter will not affect search-and-rescue capabilities in the area, Coast Guard officials said.

### Cultist sentenced

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - The founder of an athletes' prayer group that prosecutors say became a destructive cult was sentenced Wednesday to three years in prison for his part in the death of a boy whose parents belonged to the nameless Christian sect.

Doug Kleber, 34, of Champaign-Urbana, Ill., pleaded guilty in October to second-degree criminal mistreatment in the death of Aaron Norman, 10, of untreated juvenile diabetes Dec. 20, 1987.

## Wavemaker



### Locksmith works quickly

**Wavemaker:** How do you find out why the management at Seaview Terrace, the subsidized housing complex, suddenly and without notice changed the locks on the doors? Several oldtimers were confused and angry when they couldn't get into their apartments. Aren't residents supposed to be notified?

Signed,  
Hearing Complaints

### Hearing Complaints:

Seaview Terrace manager Nadine Robertson tells us she called a locksmith to change the locks on the front and ground floor doors and was so prompt she just wasn't prepared with the notices she planned to distribute to residents. The new keys were already on hand when residents came home. She posted notes on doors and gave instructions for residents to buzz neighbors to let them in until all keys could be distributed. She says the lock change was a routine maintenance measure.

### Einstein has good alibi

**Wavemaker:** I understand Southeast Island School District superintendent Bob Einstein went south to look at computers for his school district. I find it interesting wondering why the superintendent does this personally. Anyone who goes south during the holiday season on tax dollars is suspected of using it as an excuse for Christmas shopping. Can you clean this up?

Signed,  
Stay Home in December

### Stay Home in December:

Einstein went south to look at computers, office furniture and more. As for Christmas shopping, he says, "I'm Jewish."

If you have a question or are seeking information, write to the Wavemaker. Inquiries will be handled promptly and professionally. The Wavemaker's address is P.O. Box 7900, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901.

# Japanese deny illegal fishing

Japanese government officials told Alaska Sen. Frank Murkowski Wednesday that their country's fishermen are not involved in the illegal taking of salmon on the high seas.

Described by one participant at the meeting as "a knock-down-drag-out," Murkowski called on the Hirohisa Tanaka, Director General of Fisheries Agency of Japan, and other government officials to take stronger policing action against their fishermen involved in the illegal fishery, according to a press release from Murkowski's Washington D.C. office.

Murkowski said that he was in Tokyo not only to represent U.S. fishermen, but also to represent the fish.

"If all the countries of the Pacific Rim do not get together on this problem we are going to lose the resource itself," Murkowski told Tanaka.

Tanaka responded that Japanese fishermen were not involved, that his government had cracked down on their fishermen, according to Murkowski.

"In contrast to Taiwan, where officials readily admitted that they couldn't control their fishermen, and that there was a problem with high-seas interception, Tanaka just flatly denied that the Japanese were doing it, Murkowski reported after the meeting.

"So we went through the laundry list: numerous documented violations by Japanese boats crossing the line and crossing the boundaries; marketing literature offering salmon for sale from Japanese sources; and a drastic reduction in our run," Murkowski said.

Murkowski said that evidence is enough for him to believe the Japanese are involved.

He told the Japanese officials that he appreciated current Japanese efforts to police their fishermen.

"But it is apparent that Japanese fishermen are still part of the problem," he said.

The governments of all three Pacific Rim countries, Japan, Taiwan and Korea, plus the United States and the Soviet Union, have to be part of the solution.

"There has to be a cooperative effort to make sure that this doesn't continue to happen, otherwise we'll lose the resource," he said.

In a second meeting, Murkowski delivered the same message to a member of the Japanese Diet, Mutsuki Kato, who is chairman of fisheries group of the Liberal Democratic Party.

"He responded positively, although he also tried to say he didn't think Japanese fishermen were

involved," Murkowski said.

He was encouraged, however, because Kato "recognized that there is a problem and that it would take a cooperative effort on the part of all the countries involved to address it."

The Japanese legislator told Murkowski that he is under a huge amount of pressure from Japanese fishermen who want to institute retaliatory action against the United States for not giving them allocations of bottom fish from the U.S. 200-mile zone, and for a court ruling which resulted in the loss of a marine mammal permit required for a Japanese salmon fishery previously allowed in our 200-mile zone through an international treaty which reduced the level of Japan fishing on the high seas.

The Japanese claim the loss of the fishery violates their treaty with the United States.

# City manager job draws 35 hopefuls - so far

By JERI LESSARD  
Daily News Staff Writer

Thirty-five applications for the city of Ketchikan's city manager position had been received in the city clerk's office by Wednesday. The application deadline is Dec. 15.

Four Alaska residents appear on the list of applicants to replace City Manager Jim Van Altvorst, who announced his resignation in early October. The in-state hopefuls are David C. Smith, of Juneau, Lee A. Wyatt of Wasilla, and Bruce E. Vonada and Richard L. Weaver, both of Anchorage.

Other applications arrived from as far afield as Maine and Florida, and as close as Oregon and Washington state.

Two women appear on the list of 35 - Elizabeth S. Haeseker of Clearwater, Fla., and Melinda Rae Carlton of Topeka, Kansas.

Five of the applicants are from Washington state, four from Florida, and two each from New York, Kansas, Texas, Colorado and South Carolina. Other states represented are Idaho, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Arizona, West Virginia,

Michigan, Illinois, Maine, Oklahoma, Utah and New Jersey.

During its Dec. 15 meeting, Mayor Ted Ferry said the City Council will receive a time schedule for reviewing applications and a form which will be used to grade candidates.

The nine-member committee which will narrow down the applications includes Councilmen Chuck Freeman and Jim Carlton, and community representatives Paul Young, Tom Friesen, Dave Thompson, Virginia Klepser, Carroll Fader, John Clifton and Judy Auger.

Ferry said the committee likely will develop a list of 20 candidates then determine the final 10 applicants to pass on to the City Council for consideration. It will begin its work on Dec. 19.

The mayor also expects no fewer than three finalists may visit Ketchikan for personal interviews, at the city's expense, before the process is complete. He believes it is unlikely a new city manager will be on board before April.

Van Altvorst has resigned as of Jan. 1, but said he is willing to continue working for the city perhaps on a contractual basis. He has not revealed any future work plans, although he will remain a Ketchikan resident.

## Meetings & brevities

Deadline for written and copy for this column is noon at the Moose Club. Election of Ketchikan...



# Lawmakers seek sanctions for fishing violators

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House members from Washington and Oregon urged President Bush on Tuesday to take trade action against nations refusing to regulate fishing fleets which use huge nets in the North Pacific.

U.S. fishermen claim the so-called driftnets are used to illegally snare millions of salmon, while environmentalists contend the nets are responsible for killing thousands of porpoises, seals, seabirds and other marine life every year.

The nets, which can stretch up to 35 miles, have been used since the early 1980s by about 700 vessels from Japan, South Korea

and Taiwan to catch squid.

Rep. Jolene Unsoeld, D-Wash., introduced a non-binding resolution, backed by her House colleagues in the Washington delegation and Oregon's three Democrats in the House, urging Bush to impose trade sanctions if nations with such fleets refuse to "enter into and implement adequate driftnet monitoring and enforcement agreements."

"This has been called 'biological strip-mining of the sea' and that's exactly what it is," Unsoeld said at a news conference. "The driftnet fleet can lay 30,000 miles of net on any given day, catching and suffocating virtually every porpoise, seal,

fish or bird that comes into contact with it.

"That's not fishing; that's indiscriminate slaughter."

Unsoeld said the resolution "sends an unmistakable message that we want these pirates put out of business." She said driftnet fleets are "stealing" an estimated 10,000 metric tons of salmon worth an estimated \$21 million annually.

American fishermen say the illegal salmon netting has already hurt fish runs in Washington state, Oregon and Alaska.

By international agreement, driftnet fishing is limited to certain areas that are supposed to be well away from salmon grounds, but

Unsoeld said the regulations are ignored.

Talks with the Japanese aimed at reaching an agreement to monitor the driftnet fleet and enforce various regulations broke down over the weekend.

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The nets, which can stretch up to 35 miles, have been used since the early 1980s by about 700 vessels from Japan, South Korea

and Taiwan to catch squid.

Rep. Jolene Unsoeld, D-Wash., introduced a non-binding resolution, backed by her House colleagues in the Washington delegation and Oregon's three Democrats in the House, urging Bush to impose trade sanctions if nations with such fleets refuse to "enter into and implement adequate driftnet monitoring and enforcement agreements."

"This has been called 'biological strip-mining of the sea' and that's exactly what it is," Unsoeld said at a news conference. "The driftnet fleet can lay 30,000 miles of net on any given day, catching and suffocating virtually every porpoise, seal,

fish or bird that comes into contact with it.

"That's not fishing; that's indiscriminate slaughter."

Unsoeld said the resolution "sends an unmistakable message that we want these pirates put out of business." She said driftnet fleets are "stealing" an estimated 10,000 metric tons of salmon worth an estimated \$21 million annually.

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