

JOINT STATEMENT OF THE UJNR

AQUACULTURE PANEL

OCTOBER 18, 1979

BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

The eighth Joint Meeting of the UJNR Aquaculture Panel was held October 17-18, 1979 at Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington.

On the first day of the meeting five overview papers on the meeting theme, freshwater fish culture, were presented by Japanese and U.S. scientists. In addition six scientific papers were presented reflecting recent research advances in freshwater fish culture in the two countries. This exchange of papers was useful and informative to panel members and observers. The business meeting was held the second day of the meeting. Dr. Sato and Mr. Shaw who were elected cochairmen presided over the business meeting.

Successful UJNR activities during the last year were reviewed. These included an exchange of scientists involving extended study visits by 3 U.S. scientists and an industry representative to Japan and visits by 5 Japanese scientists to the U.S. under sponsorship of the UJNR.

It is anticipated that at least 2 U.S. scientists will visit Japan during the next year. A visit of intermediate length by Dr. Arai, a fish nutritionist, to the U.S. is also planned as well as additional shorter visits. Provision of information in advance of visits regarding opportunities for study and observation would help make exchanges of scientists more useful.

The exchange of selected scientific information in the field of

aquaculture has continued. A set of 21 selected Japanese publications have been submitted to the U.S. and some of these are being translated. Selected U.S. publications are also being submitted to Japan by the U.S. panel and lists of these are widely distributed in Japan. Possibilities for translation of several new Japanese books are being explored.

A cooperative research project presently in progress is a joint study of summer mortality of oysters involving field testing of disease resistant U.S. strains in Japan. The joint study of oyster diseases which has been underway for 4 years is continuing and plans for joint publication of results are being made.

An official response regarding Japanese input for the World Index of Fish Disease was requested by the U.S. panel.

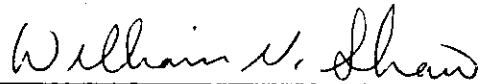
A plan was presented for formalizing future proposals for cooperative research projects and a draft proposal for research on evaluation of abalone seeding was presented by the U.S. members. This proposal will be reviewed by the Japanese panel and modified as necessary after discussion of practical aspects of the research.

The U.S. members have formed several committees to improve and expand their activities. One of these, the publication committee, is working on publication of the papers presented at the 1977 meeting, and has prepared a statement of editorial policy for the Aquaculture panel. It was agreed that papers presented at the UJNR meetings be published regularly in established journals and that the host country take responsibility for publishing papers presented at UJNR meetings in their country. A suggested format for authors will be made available prior to each meeting.

Preliminary plans for the next joint meeting were made. Plans are to hold the meeting in conjunction with the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council (Symposium on Development and Management of Small Scale Fisheries)

in Kyoto in May, 1980. Since the theme of the 1980 UJNR aquaculture joint meeting will be "Crustaceans" it is proposed that a field trip to shrimp hatchery and production sites be made following the meetings.

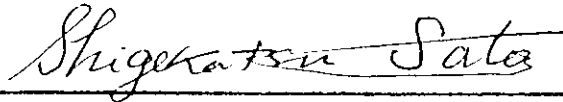
Respectfully submitted



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