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Circular Letter to Certain Member Governments

Excellency,

I have the honour to draw your attention to working paper document IPFC/C50/14 "Preliminary Register of Projects, Institutions, Vessels and Personnel dealing with Fisheries in the Indo-Pacific area", which was presented at the 2nd Meeting of the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council, Cronulla, Australia, April 1950.

This preliminary form of the register was considered by a special committee appointed at the Council Meeting and on its recommendation the Council resolved that the register should be reviewed annually and revised in certain ways as suggested by the Committee. The Executive Committee of the Council, in its editorial capacity, has resolved to proceed to the printing of this register at the earliest opportunity.

In accordance with the above I have therefore to request your Government's assistance in the task of revising the register in respect of those entries which relate to fishery work in your country. In order to facilitate this work ten copies of the entries relating to your country are enclosed. It would be greatly appreciated if these copies could be used as a means for drawing from the institutions concerned all information necessary to make the register complete and accurate within the terms of its original plan and the Special Committee's recommendations and if a single copy, carrying all amendments and additions might be returned to this office at your convenience. Since it would be extremely useful if the printed register could be available at the next Council Meeting the early return of the revised copy of these entries would be greatly appreciated. Some general notes on the points to be borne in mind during the revision work are enclosed.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration,

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.


G. L. Kesteven
Secretary, Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council

**Revision of the Register of Projects, Institutions, Vessels,
and Personnel Dealing with Fisheries in the
Indo-Pacific Region.**

The purpose of the revision is to bring the register up-to-date by way of such additions or deletions which may be necessary as a consequence of changes which have taken place since the information was last provided, to repair any omissions previously made, and to amend the register in accordance with recommendations made at the last Council Meeting.

Attention is drawn to the notes attached to the Working Paper IPFC/C50/14 distributed at the Council's 2nd Meeting. These state the general methods employed in the preparation of the register.

The following special points should be noted:-

- A. Institutions:**
1. The widest possible definition is to be used for this term; this is taken to mean that any organized unit which is concerned with fishery work, under official cognizance, is to be entered.
 2. It has been suggested that only officers in charge should be listed and that the numbers of staff employed in technical and non-technical capacity be given.
 3. The heading special equipment (and the information thereunder) is in all cases to be eliminated.
- B. Projects:**
1. Only officers in charge need be listed.
 2. The description of each project should be adequate to convey a complete idea of its scope and objectives; special equipment employed should be listed.
 3. The possible duration of the project should be stated.
- C. Vessels:** Although the Committee recommended that the vessels should be shown in the project chapter as special equipment, the Secretariat finds that this would involve additional cost in printing and believes that the usefulness of the register would be thereby impaired, it therefore proposes to retain the vessel chapter and requests that information be furnished in the present pattern.
- D. Personnel:** The Special Committee suggested that it was unnecessary to list all personnel engaged, at the listed institutions, in fishery work. It thought that the listing of officers in charge of institutions and of projects would be sufficient. In the view of the Secretariat this might be a serious impairment of the usefulness of the register since one of the major uses of the register will be to indicate young personnel participating in programmes. It is requested that the present plan of listing all technical personnel should be adhered to in the revision of the preliminary register and that each country should indicate those names which should be omitted if the Special Committee's recommendation should be adhered to. It is requested care should be exercised that the designation of "Nationality" refers specifically to nationality and not to citizenship or race.

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United States
(Honolulu)

1.	American Journal of Science*	"		1818			
2.	Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum Memoirs	"	irregular	1899	Vol. XII No. 1 1936	*	Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum Honolulu T.H.
3.	Board of Commissioners of Agri- culture & Forestry (T.H.) Report	"	2 issues per yr.			gratis	Board of Agriculture & Forestry, Honolulu, T.H.
4.	Mid-Pacific Magazine	"			Suspen- ded 1936		
5.	Pacific Science	"	4 issues per yr.	1947	Vol. III No. 4 1949	US\$3 also ex:	University of Hawaii Honolulu

* XIV. 1 C. -- Known also as Silliman's Journal of Science.
2 H. -- Various prices for various publications.