



**INDO-PACIFIC FISHERIES COUNCIL**

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20 September 1950

Circular letter to all Member Governments

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that I have been directed by the Executive Committee of the IPFC to communicate with Members of the Council to seek information on the expenditures made in connection with programmes for the investigation, development and administration of fisheries. The Committee believes that Members are interested in the rates at which various countries make expenditures on their fishing industry and that availability of such information would be of help to Members in determining the level and framework of their own budget for the industry. The Executive Committee respectfully requests that the Secretariat be furnished by each Member Government with copy of the relevant published budgetary documents relating to fisheries with such annotations as might be necessary to facilitate recognition of the expenditures as administrative, developmental or investigational.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration,

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

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



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20 September 1950

Circular Letter to Member Governments

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you, in accordance with Section XV of the Council's Rules of Procedure, that I have received from the Government of India notice of its intention to move the following amendment of the Council's Agreement in order to provide that the Council should meet biennially instead of annually as the Agreement at present provides. Copy of the communication from the Government of India is attached hereto.

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Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'G. L. Kesteven', is written over a faint, larger signature.

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

The Honorable  
The Secretary of State  
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No. F. 2-30/50-Policy.,  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Agriculture,  
New Delhi, the 8th July, 1950

**From :** Shri J.V.A. Nehemiah, M.A.,  
Under Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture,  
Government of India.

**To :** The Executive Secretary,  
Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council,  
Maliwan Mansion , BANGKOK.

**Sir,**

In accordance with Article VII of the Constitution of the Council the Government of India hereby gives notice of its intention to move the following amendment to the Constitution of the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council.

'That the following be substituted for paragraph 5 of Article II of the Constitution.'

'The Chairman shall call a meeting of the Council once in two years unless otherwise directed by majority of member governments'

The Government of India feel that annual meetings of the Council do not leave sufficient interval for governments to progress action on the recommendations made by the Council and for the Secretariat to collect data on action taken by governments and circulate it to all member countries well in advance of the next meeting. The utility of the Council meetings will be considerably increased if the Council normally meets once in two years instead of annually as at present.

I am to request that in accordance with para 1 of section XV of the Rules of procedure, this proposal may be circulated to all member countries as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Signed

(J.V.A. Nehemiah)  
UNDER SECRETARY.