

## **Standing Committee on Tuna and Billfish**

### **Skipjack Research Group**

Tuesday, July 23, 2002

Provisional Agenda

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- (1) Development of the MULTIFAN-CL Model for Examining Stock Status
- (2) Examination of Skipjack Abundance and Movement in Relation to Environmental Factors.
- (3) Refinements in Purse Seine CPUE as an Index of Abundance
- (4) Advances in Developing an Age and Growth Curve and a Mortality-at-Age Curve.
- (5) Studies on Schooling and Aggregation Behavior
- (6) Encouraging Increased Observer Coverage on Purse Seiners to Improve Knowledge and Data on Fishing Operations with FADs, Sizes of Fish being Caught and Information on Planning Large Scale Tagging of Purse Seine-Caught Fish