

Questions to John Caddy

Andre Punt (CSIRO Marine Research) asked about the application of gaming theory to real life situations — multi-country, multi-species, to which John Caddy agreed that such an approach would be difficult for straddling stocks where the number of potential players is, at least potentially, not fixed.

John Dean (University of South Carolina) asked what action is available should one of the parties violate an agreement. John Caddy replied that although there are now international agreements that Governments have agreed to, such as the Law of the Sea, Code of Conduct, etc.; the credibility of the part-

ners and the realities of the situation such as labour costs, fish prices, etc. are also involved.

Bryan Pierce (SARDI) was concerned that much of this looked good on paper but could it be a different story when fishermen are involved — when the theories are translated into real life?

John Caddy's response was that a prerequisite for agreement is certainly fishermen representation.

There was insufficient time for more than these few questions — other comments were deferred to Session 4 General Discussion.