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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON COORDINATION OF
HYDROGRAPHIC INVESTIGATIONS IN THE BALTIC SEA**

Copenhagen, 10 October 1986

1. Meeting Arrangements

The meeting was held at ICES Headquarters, in the Hjort Room, on 10 October at 9.00-10.30 hrs. Those present were: Dr H. J. Brosin (GDR), Mr S. Carlberg (Sweden), Mr H. Dahlin (Sweden), Dr S. H. Fonselius (Sweden), Dr T. Jacobsen (Denmark), Dr P. Mälkki (Finland), Prof. A. Voipio (Finland), Mr J. Szaron (Sweden), Mr K. Jancke (ICES), Mr V. Olsen (Denmark). The meeting was chaired by Dr T. Jacobsen in the absence of Mr A. Nielsen.

2. FUTURE STRUCTURE OF THE WORKING GROUP

The Working Group would like to enter the ICES/SCOR Working Group on the Study of Pollution of the Baltic. However, as this Group focus on pollution, its terms of reference would have to be expanded so as to include also other aspects of oceanography.

It was mentioned at the meeting that it would be convenient if the Kattegat/Skagerrak Working Group would also enter the ICES/SCOR Working Group.

3. BALTIC BATHY/TESAC PROJECT ON MONITORING MAJOR INFLOWS INTO THE BALTIC (BALTEPP)

The meeting was informed that a report by Dr Thompson on the present state of the project will be sent to the ICES Secretariat this autumn.

The meeting felt that the ICES Secretariat might discuss with HELCOM if the initial costs of setting up a specialized data center (approximately US \$ 12,000) could be financed. Sweden is prepared to host the center. The project is urgent as a major Baltic inflow may happen at any time, the last one being in 1975/76.

4. PATCHINESS EXPERIMENT

No recommendations were formulated.

5. CONFERENCE OF BALTIC OCEANOGRAPHERS (CBO)

A discussion on the future structure of the organization will take place during its meeting in Copenhagen 18-20 November 1986.

6. NEXT MEETING

The Working Group expressed the need for a further meeting, in order to deal with results from PEX, and in order to discuss practical aspects of BALTEPP. This might take place at the 1987 Statutory Meeting.