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FAO FISHERY MEETING HEARS APPEAL FOR TECHNOLOGICAL TRAINING CENTERS

A suggestion made several times from the floor of the FAO International Conference on Fish in Nutrition in Washington, D. C., that training centers be established in countries which are lacking the technological ability to develop their nutritional resources was formalized Monday by Hugo Loredó of Mexico who filed a recommendation for such a program. He mentioned specifically Latin America and Africa as needing such training centers.

The United States delegation filed a series of recommendations which included a suggestion that since no one fishery product will meet the specific needs of all regions of the world that FAO encourage research to develop fishery products of high biological values but which will require little or no expensive or mechanized equipment, highly skilled personnel or involved processing methods. The United States delegation also urged that FAO encourage fullest possible research on nutrition and to disseminate the research findings through conferences and through established publishing channels; that scientific literature on nutritional values of fish protein be re-evaluated on the basis of presentations at the conference; that FAO encourage research by each of its member nations and publish the results of such research; and that FAO member nations lend their fullest assistance to the program undertaken recently by the International Association of Fish Meal Manufacturers to develop internationally acceptable methods for testing the biological values of fishery products and of their efficiency in animal feeding.

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