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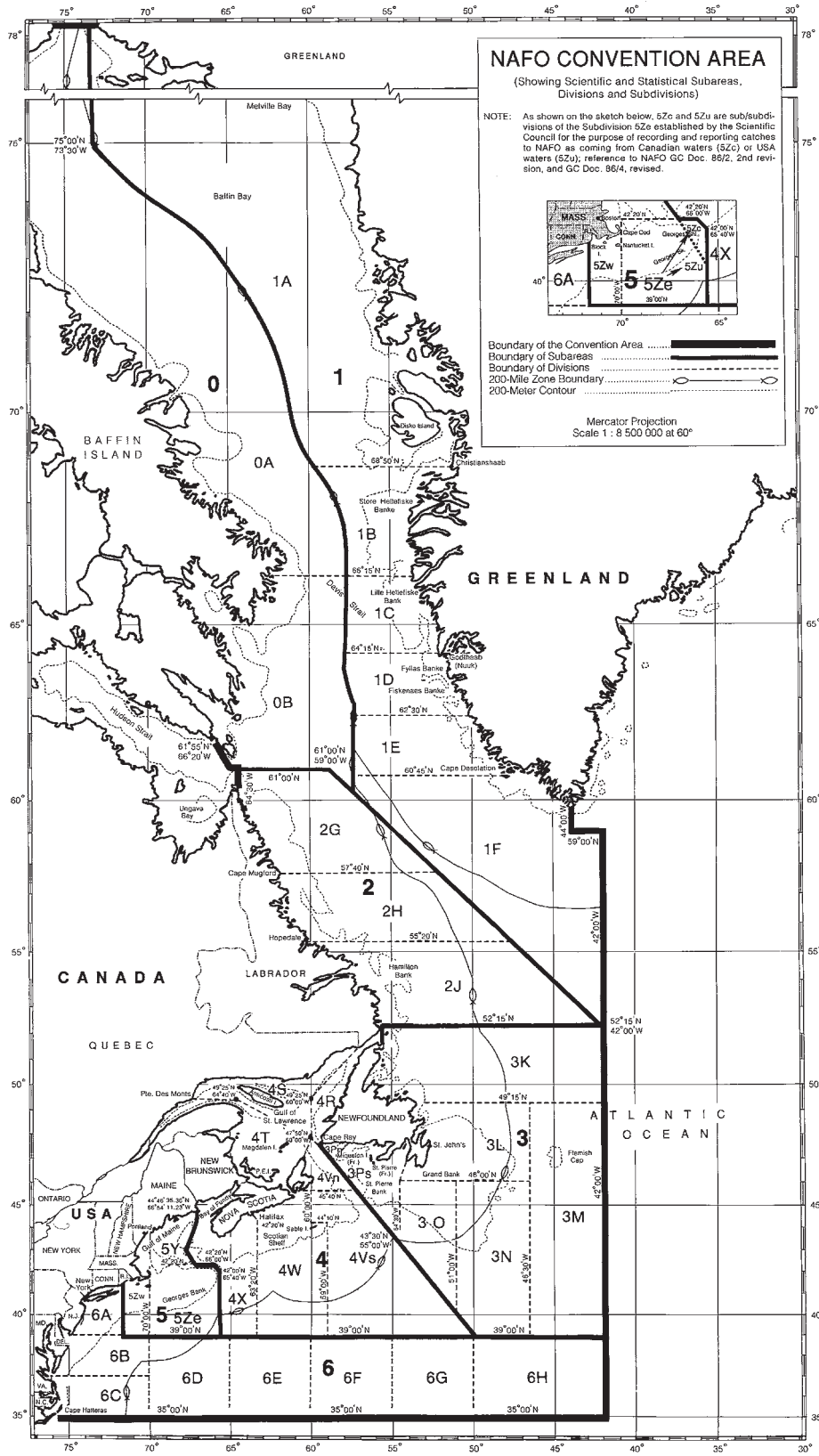
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Foreword

The idea of a series of invited papers for publication in the NAFO Journal was first raised by the Standing Committee on Publications of the NAFO Scientific Council in 1985 as one way to enhance the scope of the Journal and to stimulate broader interest in it. The present paper, which documents the development of regulatory systems for North Atlantic fisheries from establishment of the international commissions to the present day, is very much the kind of broad review paper that the Standing Committee had hoped to attract. This paper should be of use not only to scientists but also to fishery administrators and others trying to understand the management of fisheries, how the present juncture was arrived at, and what approaches may hold promise for the future.

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Dedication

This year, Dr A. W. H. Needler celebrates his 90th birthday. It is a great pleasure to mark the occasion by dedicating this review to him in recognition of his immense contribution as scientist, administrator, and diplomat, to the management of North Atlantic fisheries.

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