Today the Commission is issuing its draft Recommendations on the consolidation of the legislation relating to salmon and freshwater fisheries in Scotland.

The Commission has been working for some time on the consolidation of the legislation relating to salmon and freshwater fisheries in Scotland. The legislation is complex and much of it dates back to Victorian times. The Commission’s Report on the consolidation will contain recommendations that are intended to remedy some anomalies and tidy up some matters in the various Acts. The aim is to produce a coherent body of legislation, which will assist those using it in the short to medium term and enable the Scottish Ministers to make any future amendments from a more satisfactory legislative base.

The Commission has prepared draft Recommendations which are being issued for consultation. Consultees are being invited to submit their comments by Friday 29 June 2001.
NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The Scottish Law Commission was set up in 1965 to promote the reform of the law of Scotland. The Chairman is the Hon Lord Gill. The other Commissioners are currently Mr Patrick S Hodge QC, Professor Gerard Maher, Professor Kenneth G C Reid and Professor Joseph M Thomson.

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