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Dear Dr. Baitaliuk,

On the momentous occasion of your Centennial celebration, I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to you and all members of TINRO—The Pacific Branch of the Federal State Budgetary Scientific Institution—for reaching this important milestone.

Over the past hundred years, TINRO has established itself as a pioneer in oceanographic and marine research, leading studies across the world's oceans that have advanced our understanding of marine ecosystems. Your pioneering work on ocean fisheries programs, coupled with breakthroughs in understanding the biological structure of the ocean, fisheries resources, marine mammals, and birds, has made major contributions to marine science globally.

TINRO's international cooperation with Asia-Pacific countries underscores your dedication to fostering global partnerships in marine research and fisheries management. Additionally, your scientific journal "Izvestiya TINRO" continues to occupy a leading position in the Russian scientific literature and exemplifies your commitment to scientific excellence and knowledge dissemination.

On this special anniversary, I join the celebration of your history, your pursuit of scientific discovery, and your role in global marine science. May TINRO continue to lead future generations of researchers, contributing to the sustainable use and preservation of our oceans.

On a personal note, I had the opportunity to visit TINRO 20 years ago to attend the 2005 PICES Annual Science Meeting. I fondly remember the very warm reception we were given by everyone at TINRO.

Congratulations once again on this most notable occasion.

Sincerely,



Dr. Francisco "Cisco" Werner
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