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fixing for 2008 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 of 20 December 2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy (1), and in particular Article 20 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 847/96 of 6 May 1996 introducing additional conditions for year-to-year management of TACs and quotas (2), and in particular Article 2 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 423/2004 of 26 February 2004 establishing measures for the recovery of cod stocks (3), and in particular Articles 6 and 8 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 811/2004 of 21 April 2004 establishing measures for the recovery of the Northern hake stock (4), and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005 of 20 December 2005 establishing measures for the recovery of the Southern hake and Norway lobster stocks in the Cantabrian Sea and Western Iberian peninsula (5), and in particular Articles 4 and 8 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 388/2006 of 23 February 2006 establishing a multiannual plan for the sustainable exploitation of the stock of sole in the Bay of Biscay (6), and in particular Article 4 thereof.

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 509/2007 of 7 May 2007 establishing a multi-annual plan for the sustainable exploitation of the stock of sole in the Western Channel (7), and in particular Articles 3 and 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 676/2007 of 11 June 2007 establishing a multi-annual plan for fisheries exploiting stocks of plaice and sole in the North Sea (8), and in particular Articles 6 and 9 thereof.

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 requires the Council (1)to adopt the measures necessary to ensure access to waters and resources and the sustainable pursuit of fishing activities taking account of available scientific advice and, in particular, the report prepared by the Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF).

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 59. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 865/2007 (OJ L 192, 24.7.2007, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 115, 9.5.1996, p. 3.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ L 70, 9.3.2004, p. 8. Regulation as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 441/2007 (OJ L 104, 21.4.2007, p. 28).

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 150, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>) OJ L 345, 28.12.2005, p. 5.
(<sup>6</sup>) OJ L 65, 7.3.2006, p. 1.
(<sup>7</sup>) OJ L 122, 11.5.2007, p. 7.

<sup>(8)</sup> OJ L 157, 19.6.2007, p. 1.

- (2) Under Article 20 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, it is incumbent upon the Council to establish the total allowable catches (TAC) by fishery or group of fisheries. Fishing opportunities should be allocated to Member States and third countries in accordance with the criteria laid down in Article 20 of that Regulation.
- (3) In order to ensure effective management of the TACs and quotas, the specific conditions under which fishing operations occur should be established.
- (4) The principles and certain procedures for fishery management need to be laid down at Community level, so that Member States can ensure the management of the vessels flying their flag.
- (5) Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 lays down definitions of relevance for the allocation of fishing opportunities.
- Fishing opportunities should be used in accordance with the (6) Community legislation on the subject, and in particular with Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2807/83 of 22 September 1983 laying down detailed rules for recording information on Member States' catches of fish (1), Council Regulation (EEC) No 2930/86 of 22 September 1986 defining characteristics for fishing vessels (2), Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87 of 20 May 1987 establishing detailed rules concerning the marking and documentation of fishing vessels (3), Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 of 17 December 1991 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States in the north-east Atlantic (4), Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 of 12 October 1993 establishing a control system applicable to the fisheries policy (<sup>5</sup>), Council Regulation common (EC) No 1627/94 of 27 June 1994 laying down general provisions concerning special fishing permits (6), Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 of 30 March 1998 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (7), Council Regulation (EC) No 1434/98 of 29 June 1998 specifying conditions under which herring may be landed for industrial purposes other than direct human consumption (8), Council Regulation (EC) No 2347/2002 of 16 December 2002 establishing specific access requirements and associated conditions applicable to fishing for deep-sea stocks (9), Council Regulation (EC) No 1954/2003 of 4 November 2003 on the management of the fishing effort relating to certain Community fishing areas and resources (10), Commission Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 of 18 December 2003 laying down detailed provisions regarding satellite-based Vessel Monitoring Systems (<sup>11</sup>), Regulation (EC) No 423/2004, Council Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 of 22 March 2004 laying down certain control measures applicable

- (<sup>3</sup>) OJ L 132, 21.5.1987, p. 9.
- (4) OJ L 365, 31.12.1991, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 448/2005 (OJ L 74, 19.3.2005, p. 5).
- (<sup>5</sup>) OJ L 261, 20.10.1993, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1098/2007 (OJ L 248, 22.9.2007, p. 1).
- (6) OJ L 171, 6.7.1994, p. 7. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2943/95 (OJ L 308, 21.12.1995, p. 15).
   (7) OL 125 27.41008
- (7) OJ L 125, 27.4.1998, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005 (OJ L 345, 28.12.2005, p. 5).
   (8) OL 101, 7.7.1008
- (8) OJ L 191, 7.7.1998, p. 10. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005 (OJ L 349, 31.12.2005, p. 1).
   (9) OL 251, 28 12 2002, p. 6 Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC)
- (<sup>9</sup>) OJ L 351, 28.12.2002, p. 6. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2269/2004 (OJ L 396, 31.12.2004, p. 1).
- (10) OJ L 289, 7.11.2003, p. 1.
- (<sup>11</sup>) OJ L 333, 20.12.2003, p. 17.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 276, 10.10.1983, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1804/2005 (OJ L 290, 4.11.2005, p. 10).

 <sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>) OJ L 274, 25.9.1986, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 3259/94 (OJ L 339, 29.12.1994, p. 11).

to fishing activities in the area covered by the Convention on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources (1), Regulation (EC) No 811/2004, Council Regulation (EC) No 2115/2005 of 20 December 2005 establishing a recovery plan for Greenland halibut in the framework of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (2), Regulation (EC) No 2166/2005, Regulation (EC) No 388/2006, Council Regulation (EC) No 2015/2006 of 19 December 2006 fixing for 2007 and 2008 the fishing opportunities for Community fishing vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks (3), Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 of 21 December 2006 concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea (4), Regulation (EC) No 509/2007, Council Regulation (EC) No 520/2007 of 7 May 2007 laying down technical measures for the conservation of certain stocks of highly migratory species (<sup>5</sup>), Regulation (EC) No 676/2007 (6) and Council Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007 of 22 October 2007 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (7).

- (7)It should be clarified that if marine organisms caught during fishing operations conducted solely for the purpose of scientific investigations are sold, the provisions of this Regulation should apply also to such fishing operations. It is necessary, following the advice from the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES), to maintain the application of a system to manage the catch limits of anchovy in ICES zone VIII. The Commission should fix the catch limits for the stock of anchovy in ICES zone VIII in the light of scientific information collected during the first half of 2008 and of discussions taking place in the context of a multi-annual plan for anchovy.
- (8) It is necessary, following the advice from the ICES, to maintain and revise a system to manage the fishing effort on sandeel in ICES zones IIIa and IV and EC waters of zone IIa.
- (9) As a transitional measure in the light of the most recent scientific advice from the ICES, the fishing effort on certain deep-sea species should be further reduced.
- Under Article 20 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 it is (10)incumbent upon the Council to decide on the conditions associated with the limits on catches and/or fishing effort limits. Scientific advice indicates that substantial catches in excess of agreed TACs result in the sustainability of fishing operations being prejudiced. It is therefore appropriate to introduce associated conditions that will result in improved implementation of the agreed fishing possibilities.
- At its Annual Meeting in 2007, the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (11) Organisation (NAFO) adopted a number of technical and control measures. It is necessary to implement these measures.
- (12)At its XXVIth annual meeting in 2007, the Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) adopted relevant catch limits for the stocks open to established fisheries by any CCAMLR Member. CCAMLR also approved the participation of Community vessels in exploratory fisheries for Dissostichus spp. in Subareas FAO 88.1 and 88.2 as well as

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 97, 1.4.2004, p. 16. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1099/2007 (OJ L 248, 22.9.2007, p. 11).

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>) OJ L 340, 23.12.2005, p. 3.

OJ L 384, 29.12.2006, p. 28. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 754/2007 (OJ L 172, 30.6.2007, p. 26).

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 36, 8.2.2007, p. 6. (<sup>5</sup>) OJ L 123, 12.5.2007, p. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 157, 19.6.2007, p. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(7)</sup> OJ L 318, 5.12.2007, p. 1.

in Divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2, 58.4.3a) and 58.4.3b) and made the relevant fishing activities subject to catch and by-catch limits, as well as to certain specific technical measures. Those limits and technical measures should also be applied.

- (13) In order to comply with international obligations assumed by the Community as a Contracting Party to the CCAMLR, including the obligation to apply the measures adopted by the CCAMLR Commission, the TACs adopted by that Commission for the 2007-2008 season and the corresponding season limit dates should be applied.
- (14) In accordance with Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 (<sup>1</sup>), the stocks that are subject to the various measures referred to therein must be identified.
- (15) In accordance with the procedure provided for in the agreements or protocols on fisheries relations, the Community has held consultations on fishing rights with Norway (<sup>2</sup>), the Faroe Islands (<sup>3</sup>) and Greenland (<sup>4</sup>).
- (16) The Community is a contracting party to several regional fisheries organisations. Those fisheries organisations have recommended the setting of catch limitations and/or effort limitations and other conservation rules for certain species. Such recommendations should therefore be implemented by the Community.
- (17) Discussions on an alternative system for effort management based on kilowatt-day ceilings 2008 that have taken place in 2007 have revealed that it will be necessary to have a longer timeframe to adapt the national administrative procedures to the requirements of such an effort management system. The current effort management system based on days at sea will be maintained in 2008, with the intention of continuing discussions on an effort management based on kilowatt-days in 2008 for the purpose of implementing such a system in 2009.
- (18) For the adjustment of fishing effort limitations on cod as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 423/2004, alternative arrangements are maintained in order to manage fishing effort consistently with the TAC, as laid down in Article 8(3) of that Regulation.
- (19) Certain temporary provisions should be maintained on the use of VMS data in order to provide for greater efficiency and effectiveness in the monitoring, control and surveillance of effort management.
- (20) For the adjustment of fishing effort limitations on sole as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 509/2007 alternative arrangements should be established in order to manage fishing effort consistently with the TAC, as laid down in Article 5(2) of that Regulation.
- (21) For the adjustment of fishing effort limitations on plaice and sole as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 676/2007, alternative arrangements should be established in order to manage fishing effort consistently with the TAC, as laid down in Article 9(2) of that Regulation.
- (22) For the cod stocks in the North Sea, the Skagerrak and the Western channel, in the Irish Sea and in the west of Scotland, and the stocks of hake and of Norway lobster in ICES zones VIIIc and IXa, the levels of permissible effort within the management scheme need to be adapted.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 115, 9.5.1996, p. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 226, 29.8.1980, p. 48.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ L 226, 29.8.1980, p. 12.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 172, 30.6.2007, p. 1

- (23) In order to contribute to the conservation of fish stocks, certain supplementary measures on control and technical conditions of fishing should be implemented in 2008.
- (24) Following scientific advice from ICES, measures to protect the spawning aggregations of blue ling in ICES zones VI and VII are needed in addition to catch limitations in order to ensure their protection.
- (25) Scientific investigations have demonstrated that the fishing practices when fishing with gillnets and entangling nets in ICES zones VIa, VIb, VIIb, VIIc, VIIj, VIIk, VIII, IX, X and XII constitute a serious threat to deep-sea species. However, transitional measures to allow these fisheries to take place under certain conditions should be implemented until more permanent measures are adopted.
- (26) In accordance with the Agreed Record of conclusions between the European Community and Norway of 26 November 2007, technical measures to increase selectivity of towed gears in order to reduce discards of whiting in the North Sea should be tested during the first part of 2008.
- (27) In order to ensure sustainable exploitation of the hake and Norway lobster stock and to reduce discards, the use of the latest developments as regards selective gears should be permitted in ICES zones VIIIa, VIIIb and VIIId.
- (28) The use of gears that do not catch Norway lobster should be permitted in certain areas dedicated to the protection of the species, where fishing is prohibited.
- (29) In the light of advice from STECF, certain herring spawning ground closures are not necessary to ensure sustainable exploitation of that species in ICES zone VIa.
- (30) The control of landings and transhipments of frozen fish by third country fishing vessels landed in Community ports, as recommended by the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC), should be maintained. In November 2007 the NEAFC recommended replacing a number of vessels on the list of vessels that have been confirmed as having engaged in illegal, unreported and unregulated fisheries. Implementation of the recommendations in the Community legal order should be ensured.
- (31) In order to contribute to the conservation of octopus and in particular to protect juveniles, it is necessary to maintain, in 2008, a minimum size of octopus from the maritime waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of third countries and situated in the region of Fishery Committee for the Eastern Central Atlantic (CECAF) pending the adoption of a regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 850/98.
- (32) In the light of advice from STECF, fishing with beam trawl using electrical pulse current should be allowed in 2008 in ICES zones IVc and IVb south under certain conditions.
- (33) The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) failed to adopt catch limitations for yellowfin tuna, bigeye tuna and skipjack tuna at its Annual Meeting in 2007, and although the Community is not a member of the IATTC, it is necessary to adopt measures to ensure sustainable management of the resource under the jurisdiction of that Organisation.
- (34) At its Third Annual Meeting, the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) adopted effort limitations for yellowfin tuna, bigeye tuna, skipjack tuna, swordfish and south pacific albacore, as well as technical measures as regards the treatment of by-catches. The Community has been a member of

the WCPFC since January 2005. It is there fore necessary to incorporate those measures into Community law to ensure sustainable management of the resource under the jurisdiction of that Organisation.

- (35) At its Annual Meetings in 2006 and 2007, the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) adopted a number of recommendations on technical measures for certain fisheries in the Mediterranean Sea. In order to contribute to the conservation of fish stocks it is necessary to implement these measures in 2008 pending the adoption of a regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006.
- (36) At its Annual Meeting in 2007, the South East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (SEAFO) adopted catch limits for fish stocks in the SEAFO Convention Area and established conditions relating to the resumption of fishing activities in the currently closed fishing areas, and detailed requirements regarding port state inspections. It is necessary to incorporate these measures into Community law.
- (37) At its Annual Meetings in 2006 and 2007, the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) adopted a number of management and control measures. It is necessary to incorporate these measures into Community law.
- (38) During the Third International Meeting for the creation of a new South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPFO) held in May 2007, the participants adopted interim measures in order to regulate pelagic fishing activities as well as bottom fisheries in the South Pacific. It is necessary to incorporate these measures into Community law.
- (39) At its Annual Meeting in 2007, the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) adopted the quotas and the adjusted quotas to reflect the under-utilisation and overutilisation of the fishing possibilities of the ICCAT contracting parties. ICCAT further adopted a technical conservation measure for Mediterranean swordfish in 2008. In order to contribute to the conservation of fish stocks it is necessary to implement this measure.
- (40) In order to ensure that catches of blue whiting by third-country vessels in Community waters are correctly accounted for, it is necessary to maintain the strengthened control provisions for such vessels.
- (41) In order to ensure the livelihood of Community fishers and in order to avoid endangering resources and any possible difficulty due to the lapsing of Council Regulation (EC) No 41/2007 of 21 December 2006 fixing for 2007 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required (<sup>1</sup>), it is essential to open those fisheries on 1 January 2008 and maintain in force in January 2008 some of the rules of the said Regulation. Given the urgency of the matter, it is imperative to grant an exception to the six-week period referred to in Title I, Article 3 of the Protocol on the role of national Parliaments in the European Union, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaties establishing the European Communities,

## HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

OJ L 15, 20.1.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 898/2007 (OJ L 196, 28.7.2007, p. 22).

#### CHAPTER I

#### SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

#### Article 1

## Subject matter

This Regulation fixes fishing opportunities for the year 2008, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, and the associated conditions under which such fishing opportunities may be used.

In addition, it fixes certain effort limits and associated conditions for January 2009, and for certain Antarctic stocks it fixes the fishing opportunities and specific conditions for the periods set out in Annex IE.

#### Article 2

#### Scope

1. If not otherwise provided for, this Regulation shall apply to:

(a) Community fishing vessels ('Community vessels'); and

(b) Fishing vessels flying the flag of, and registered in, third countries ('third-country fishing vessels') in Community waters ('EC waters').

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, the provisions of this Regulation, except points 4.2 of Annex III and footnote 1 to Annex IX, shall not apply to fishing operations conducted solely for the purpose of scientific investigations which are carried out with the permission and under the authority of the Member State whose flag the vessel is flying and of which the Commission and the Member States in whose waters the research is carried out have been informed in advance. Member States conducting fishing operations for the purpose of scientific investigations shall inform the Commission, the Member States in whose waters the research is carried out, ICES and STECF of all catches from such fishing operations.

#### Article 3

### Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation, in addition to the definitions laid down in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'total allowable catches' (TAC) means the quantity that can be taken and landed from each stock each year;
- (b) 'quota' means a proportion of the TAC allocated to the Community, Member States or third countries;
- (c) 'international waters' means waters falling outside the sovereignty or jurisdiction of any State.

#### Article 4

#### **Fishing zones**

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following zone definitions shall apply:

 (a) ICES (International Council for the Exploration of the Sea) zones are as defined in Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91;

- (b) 'Skagerrak' means the area bounded on the west by a line drawn from the Hanstholm lighthouse to the Lindesnes lighthouse and on the south by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from this point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast;
- (c) 'Kattegat' means the area bounded on the north by a line drawn from the Skagen lighthouse to the Tistlarna lighthouse and from this point to the nearest point on the Swedish coast and on the south by a line drawn from Hasenøre to Gnibens Spids, from Korshage to Spodsbjerg and from Gilbjerg Hoved to Kullen;
- (d) 'Gulf of Cadiz' means the area of ICES zone IXa east of longitude 7°23'48"W;
- (e) The GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) zone is as defined in Council Decision 98/416/EC of 16 June 1998 on the accession of the European Community to the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (<sup>1</sup>);
- (f) CECAF (Eastern Central Atlantic or FAO major fishing zone 34) zones are as defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 2597/95 of 23 October 1995 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic (<sup>2</sup>);
- (g) 'NEAFC Convention Area' means the waters as set out in Article 1 of the Convention attached to Council Decision 81/608/EEC of 13 July 1981 concerning the conclusion of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the North-East Atlantic Fisheries (<sup>3</sup>);
- (h) 'NEAFC Regulatory Area' means the waters of the NEAFC Convention Area which lie beyond the waters under the jurisdiction of NEAFC Contracting Parties;
- (i) NAFO (Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation) zones are as defined in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2018/93 of 30 June 1993 on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the Northwest Atlantic (<sup>4</sup>);
- (j) 'NAFO Regulatory Area' means the part of the area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) Convention not falling under the sovereignty or within the jurisdiction of coastal States;
- (k) SEAFO (South East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation) zones are as defined in Council Decision 2002/738/EC of 22 July 2002 on the conclusion by the European Community of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Fishery Resources in the South-East Atlantic Ocean (<sup>5</sup>);
- (1) The ICCAT (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) zone is as defined in Council Decision 86/238/EEC of 9 June 1986 on the accession of the Community to the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, as amended by the Protocol annexed to the Final Act of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the States Parties to the Convention signed in Paris on 10 July 1984 (<sup>6</sup>);

(4) OJ L 186, 28.7.1993, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 162, 18.6.1986, p. 33.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 190, 4.7.1998, p. 34.

 <sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 270, 13.11.1995, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1).

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ L 227, 12.8.1981, p. 21.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 234, 31.8.2002, p. 39.

- (m) CCAMLR (Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources) zones are as defined in Regulation (EC) No 601/2004;
- (n) The IATTC (Inter American Tropical Tuna Convention) zone is as defined in Council Decision 2006/539/EC of 22 May 2006 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica (<sup>1</sup>);
- (o) The IOTC (Indian Ocean Tuna Commission) zone is as defined in Council Decision 95/399/EC of 18 September 1995 on the accession of the Community to the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (<sup>2</sup>);
- (p) The South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPFO) area is the high seas area south of the Equator, north of the CCAMLR Convention area, east of the SIOFA Convention Area as defined in the Council Decision 2006/496/EC of 6 July 2006 on the signing, on behalf of the European Community, of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (<sup>3</sup>), and west of the areas of fisheries jurisdictions of South American States;
- (q) The WCPFC (Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention) zone is as defined in Council Decision 2005/75/EC of 26 April 2004 on the accession of the Community to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (<sup>4</sup>).

#### CHAPTER II

#### FISHING OPPORTUNITIES AND ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS

#### Article 5

#### Catch limits and allocations

1. The catch limits for Community vessels in Community waters or in certain non-Community waters and the allocation of such catch limits among Member States and additional conditions in accordance with Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 are set out in Annex I.

2. Community vessels are hereby authorised to make catches, within the quota limits set out in Annex I, in waters falling within the fisheries jurisdiction of the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland and Norway, and the fishing zone around Jan Mayen, subject to the conditions set out in Articles 11, 20 and 21.

3. The Commission shall fix the catch limits for the fisheries on sandeel in ICES zones IIIa and IV and EC waters of ICES zone IIa according to the rules laid down in point 6 of Annex IID.

4. The Commission shall fix catch limits for capelin in Greenland waters of ICES zones V and XIV available to the Community at 7,7 % of the capelin TAC as soon as the TAC has been established.

5. Catch limits for the stock of Norway pout in ICES zone IIIa and in EC waters of ICES zones IIa and IV and for the stock of sprat in EC waters of ICES zones IIa and IV may be revised by the Commission in

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 224, 16.8.2006, p. 22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 236, 5.10.1995, p. 24.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ L 196, 18.7.2006, p. 14.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 32, 4.2.2005, p. 1.

accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 in the light of scientific information collected during the first half of 2008.

6. The Commission may fix the catch limits for the stock of anchovy in ICES zone VIII in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 in the light of scientific information collected during the first half of 2008.

7. As a consequence of a revision of the stock of Norway pout in accordance with paragraph 5, the catch limits for the stocks of whiting in ICES zone IIIa and ICES zone IV and EC waters of ICES zone IIa and for the stocks of haddock in ICES zone IIIa and EC waters of ICES zones IIIb, IIIc and IIId and in ICES zone IV and EC waters of ICES zone IIa may be revised by the Commission in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 to take into account industrial by-catches in the Norway pout fishery.

#### Article 6

#### **Prohibited species**

It shall be prohibited for Community vessels to fish for, to retain on board, to tranship and to land the following species in all Community and non-Community waters:

— Basking shark (*Cetorhinus maximus*)

— White shark (*Carcharodon carcharias*).

#### Article 7

#### Special provisions on allocations

1. The allocation of fishing opportunities among Member States as set out in Annex I shall be without prejudice to:

- (a) exchanges made pursuant to Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002;
- (b) reallocations made pursuant to Articles 21(4), 23(1) and 32(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93;
- (c) additional landings allowed under Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- (d) quantities withheld in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- (e) deductions made pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96.

2. For the purpose of withholding quotas to be transferred to 2009, Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall apply, by way of derogation from that Regulation, to all stocks subject to analytical TAC.

#### Article 8

## Fishing effort limits and associated conditions for the management of stocks

1. From 1 February 2008 to 31 January 2009, the fishing effort limitations and associated conditions laid down in:

(a) Annex IIA shall apply for the management of certain stocks in the Kattegat, the Skagerrak and ICES zones IV, VIa, VIIa, VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa;

- (b) Annex IIB shall apply for the management of hake and Norway lobster in ICES zones VIIIc and IXa with the exception of the Gulf of Cadiz;
- (c) Annex IIC shall apply for the management of the sole stock in ICES zone VIIe;
- (d) Annex IID shall apply for the management of sandeel stocks in ICES zones IIIa and IV and EC waters of ICES zone IIa.

2. For the period from 1 January 2008 to 31 January 2008 for the stocks mentioned in paragraph 1, the fishing effort and associated conditions laid down in Annexes IIA, IIB, IIC and IID to Regulation (EC) No 41/2007 shall continue to apply.

3. The Commission shall fix the fishing effort for 2008 for the fisheries on sandeel in ICES zones IIIa and IV and in EC waters of ICES zone IIa based on the rules laid down in points 4 and 5 of Annex IID.

4. Member States shall ensure that for 2008 the fishing effort levels, measured in kilowatt days absent from port, by vessels holding deep-sea fishing permits do not exceed 75 % of the average annual fishing effort deployed by the vessels of the Member State concerned in 2003 on trips when deep-sea fishing permits were held and/or deep-sea species, as listed in Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 2347/2002, were caught. This paragraph shall apply only to fishing trips on which more than 100 kg of deep sea species, other than greater silver smelt, were caught.

## Article 9

#### Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

1. Fish from stocks for which catch limits are established shall be retained on board or landed only if:

- (a) the catches have been taken by vessels of a Member State having a quota and that quota is not exhausted; or
- (b) the catches consist of a part of a Community share which has not been allocated by quota among Member States, and that share has not been exhausted.

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, the following fish may be retained on board and landed even if a Member State has no quotas or the quotas or shares are exhausted:

- (a) species, other than herring and mackerel, where
  - (i) they are caught mixed with other species with nets whose mesh size is less than 32 mm in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, and
  - (ii) the catches are not sorted either on board or on landing;

or

- (b) mackerel, where
  - (i) they are caught mixed with horse mackerel or pilchard;
  - (ii) they do not exceed 10 % of the total weight of mackerel, horse mackerel and pilchard on board and;
  - (iii) the catches are not sorted either on board or on landing.

3. All landings shall count against the quota or, if the Community share has not been allocated between Member States by quotas, against the Community share, except for catches made under the provisions of paragraph 2.

4. The determination of the percentage of by-catches and their disposal shall be made in accordance with Articles 4 and 11 of Regulation (EC) No 850/98.

#### Article 10

## Unsorted landings in ICES zones IIIa, IV and VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa

1. Article 2(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1434/98, shall not apply to herring caught in ICES zones IIIa, IV and VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa.

2. When catch limits of a Member State for herring in ICES zones IIIa, IV and VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa are exhausted, vessels flying the flag of that Member State, registered in the Community and operating within the fisheries to which the relevant catch limitations apply, shall be prohibited from landing catches which are unsorted and which contain herring.

3. Member States shall ensure that an adequate sampling programme is in place allowing an efficient monitoring of unsorted landings by species caught in ICES zones IIIa, IV and VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa.

4. Unsorted catches in ICES zones IIIa, IV and VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa shall be landed only at ports and landing locations where a sampling programme as referred to in paragraph 1 is in place.

## Article 11

#### Access limits

No fishing by Community vessels shall take place in the Skagerrak within 12 nautical miles from the baselines of Norway. However, vessels flying the flag of Denmark or Sweden shall be allowed to fish up to four nautical miles from the baselines of Norway.

#### Article 12

## Determination of mesh size and twine thickness

Mesh size and twine thickness referred to in this Regulation shall be determined in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 129/2003 of 24 January 2003 laying down detailed rules for determining the mesh seize and thickness of twine of fishing nets (<sup>1</sup>), when Community fishing vessels are inspected by Community inspectors, Commission inspectors and national inspectors.

## Article 13

#### Transitional technical and control measures

Transitional technical and control measures for Community vessels shall be as set out in Annex III.

#### CHAPTER III

#### CATCH LIMITS AND ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS FOR THIRD-COUNTRY FISHING VESSELS

## Article 14

## Authorisation

Fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela or Norway and fishing vessels registered in the Faroe Islands shall be authorised to make catches in Community waters, within the catch limits set out in Annex I, and subject to the conditions provided for in Articles 15 to 18 and 22 to 28.

#### Article 15

#### **Prohibited species**

It shall be prohibited for third-country fishing vessels to fish for, to retain on board, to tranship and to land the following species in all Community waters:

- Basking shark (*Cetorhinus maximus*)
- White shark (*Carcharodon carcharias*).

#### Article 16

#### **Geographical restrictions**

1. Fishing by fishing vessels flying the flag of Norway or registered in the Faroe Islands shall be limited to those parts of the 200 nautical mile zone lying seawards of 12 nautical miles from the baselines of Member States in ICES zone IV, the Kattegat and the Atlantic Ocean north of 43°00'N, except the area referred to in Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

2. Fishing in the Skagerrak by fishing vessels flying the flag of Norway shall be allowed seawards of four nautical miles from the baselines of Denmark and Sweden.

3. Fishing by fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela shall be limited to those parts of the 200 nautical mile zone lying seawards of 12 nautical miles from the baselines of the Department of French Guyana.

#### Article 17

#### Transit through Community waters

Third-country fishing vessels that transit through Community waters shall stow their nets so that they may not readily be used, in accordance with the following conditions:

- (a) nets, weights and similar gear shall be disconnected from their trawl boards and towing and hauling wires and ropes,
- (b) nets which are on or above deck shall be securely lashed to some part of the superstructure.

#### Article 18

#### Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

Fish from stocks for which catch limits are fixed shall not be retained on board or landed unless the catches have been taken by fishing vessels of a third-country having a quota and that quota is not exhausted.

#### Transitional technical and control measures

Transitional technical and control measures for third-country fishing vessels shall be as set out in Annex III.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### LICENSING ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS

#### Article 20

#### Licences and associated conditions

1. Notwithstanding the general rules on fishing licences and special fishing permits provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1627/94, fishing by Community vessels in waters of a third country shall be subject to the holding of a licence issued by the authorities of that third country.

2. However, paragraph 1 shall not apply to the following Community vessels, when fishing in Norwegian waters of the North Sea:

- a) vessels of a tonnage equal to or less than 200 GT; or
- b) vessels carrying out fisheries for human consumption for species other than mackerel; or
- c) vessels flying the flag of Sweden, in line with established practice.

3. The maximum number of licences and other associated conditions shall be fixed as set out in Part I of Annex IV. Requests for licences shall indicate the types of fishing and the name and characteristics of the Community vessels for which licences are to be issued and shall be addressed by the authorities of the Member States to the Commission. The Commission shall submit these requests to the authorities of the third country concerned.

4. If one Member State transfers quota to another Member State (swap) in the fishing areas set out in Part I of Annex IV, the transfer shall include an appropriate transfer of licences and shall be notified to the Commission. However, the total number of licences for each fishing area, as set out in Part I of Annex IV, shall not be exceeded.

5. Community vessels shall comply with the conservation and control measures and all other provisions governing the zone in which they operate.

#### Article 21

### Faroe Islands

Community vessels licensed to conduct a directed fishery for one species in waters of the Faroe Islands may conduct directed fishery for another species provided that they give prior notification to the Faroese authorities.

#### CHAPTER V

## LICENSING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIRD-COUNTRY FISHING VESSELS

#### Article 22

#### Obligation to have a licence and a special fishing permit

1. Notwithstanding Article 28b of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, fishing vessels of less than 200 GT flying the flag of Norway shall

be exempt from the obligation to have a licence and a special fishing permit.

2. The licence and special fishing permit shall be kept on board. However, fishing vessels registered in the Faroe Islands or Norway shall be exempt from that obligation.

3. Fishing vessels from third countries authorised to fish on 31 December 2007 may continue to fish as from 1 January 2008 until the list of fishing vessels authorised to fish is submitted to, and approved by, the Commission.

#### Article 23

#### Application for a licence and special fishing permit

An application to the Commission for a licence and special fishing permit from an authority of a third-country shall be accompanied by the following information:

- (a) name of the vessel;
- (b) registration number;
- (c) external identification letters and numbers;
- (d) port of registration;
- (e) name and address of the owner or charterer;
- (f) gross tonnage and overall length;
- (g) engine power;
- (h) call sign and radio frequency;
- (i) intended method of fishing;
- (j) intended area of fishing;
- (k) species for which it is intended to fish;
- (1) period for which a licence is applied for.

#### Article 24

#### Number of licences

The number of licences and special associated conditions shall be fixed as set out in Part II of Annex IV.

#### Article 25

#### Cancellation and withdrawal

1. Licences and special fishing permits may be cancelled with a view to the issue of new licences and special fishing permits. Such cancellations shall take effect on the day preceding the date of issue of the new licences and special fishing permits by the Commission. New licences and special fishing permits shall take effect from their date of issue.

2. Licences and special fishing permits shall be wholly or partially withdrawn before their date of expiry if the quota for the stock in question as set out in Annex I has been exhausted.

3. Licences and special fishing permits shall be withdrawn in the event of any failure to meet the obligations laid down in this Regulation.

### Failure to comply with relevant rules

1. For a period not exceeding 12 months, no licence or special fishing permit shall be issued for any third-country fishing vessel in respect of which the obligations laid down in this Regulation have not been fulfilled.

2. The Commission shall submit to the authorities of the thirdcountry concerned the names and characteristics of the third-country fishing vessels which will not be authorised to fish in the Community fishing zone for the following month or months as a consequence of an infringement of the relevant rules of this Regulation.

#### Article 27

#### **Obligations of the licence holder**

1. Third-country fishing vessels shall comply with the conservation and control measures and other provisions governing fishing by Community vessels in the zone in which they operate, in particular Regulations (EEC) No 1381/87, (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94, (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 1434/98, and Council Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005 of 21 December 2005 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures in the Baltic sea, the Belts and the Sound (<sup>1</sup>).

2. The third-country fishing vessels referred to in paragraph 1 shall keep a logbook in which the information set out in Part I of Annex V shall be entered.

3. Third-country fishing vessels, except vessels flying the flag of Norway fishing in ICES zone IIIa, shall transmit the information set out in Annex VI to the Commission, in accordance with the rules laid down in that Annex.

#### Article 28

#### Specific provisions concerning the Department of French Guyana

1. The granting of licences to fish in the waters of the Department of French Guyana shall be subject to an undertaking by the owner of the third-country fishing vessel concerned to permit an observer to come on board at the Commission's request.

2. Third-country fishing vessels fishing in the waters of the Department of French Guyana shall keep a logbook corresponding to the model appearing in Part II of Annex V. Catch data shall be sent to the Commission upon request, via the French authorities.

#### CHAPTER VI

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

## Article 29

## Establishment of a closed season for the dolphinfish fisheries using fish aggregating devices (FADs)

1. In order to protect the dolphinfish (*Coryphaena hippurus*), in particular small fish, the dolphinfish fisheries using fish aggregating devices (FADs) shall be prohibited from 1 January 2008 to

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 349, 31.12.2005, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 809/2007 (OJ L 182, 12.7.2007, p. 1).

14 August of 2008, in all geographical sub-areas of the GFCM Agreement area as determined in Resolution GFCM/31/2007/2 set out in Annex XIV.

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, if a Member State can demonstrate that due to bad weather, the fishing vessels flying its flag were unable to utilise their normal fishing days that Member State may carry over days lost by its vessels in FAD fisheries until 31 January of the following year. Member States wishing to benefit from this carry over shall before 1 January 2009 submit to the Commission an application for the additional number of days on which a vessel will be authorised to fish dolphinfish by using FADs during the prohibition period from 1 January 2009 until 31 January 2009. Such an application shall be accompanied by the following information:

- (a) a report containing the details of the cessation of fishing activities in question, including appropriate supporting meteorological information;
- (b) name of the vessel;
- (c) registration number;
- (d) external identification letters and numbers as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 26/2004 of 30 December 2003 on the Community fishing fleet register (<sup>1</sup>).

The Commission shall forward the information obtained from the Member States to the GFCM Executive Secretariat.

3. Before 1 November 2008 Member States shall send the Commission a report on the implementation of the measures referred to in paragraph 2 for the year 2007.

4. Member States shall report to the Commission by 15 January 2009 the total landings and transhipments of dolphinfish carried out in 2008 by the fishing vessels flying their flag in all geographical sub-areas of the GFCM Agreement area as determined in Resolution GFCM/31/2007/2 as set out in Annex XIV.

The Commission shall forward the information obtained from the Member States to the GFCM Executive Secretariat.

#### Article 30

## Establishment of fisheries restrictive areas in order to protect the deep-sea sensitive habitats

1. Fishing with towed dredges and bottom trawl nets shall be prohibited in the areas bounded by lines joining the following coordinates:

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- (a) Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'Lophelia reef off Capo Santa Maria di Leuca'
  - 39° 27,72′ N, 18° 10,74′ E
  - 39° 27,80' N, 18° 26,68' E
  - 39° 11,16' N, 18° 32,58' E
  - 39° 11,16′ N, 18° 04,28′ E
- (<sup>1</sup>) OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 25. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1799/2006 (OJ L 341, 7.12.2006, p. 26).

- (b) Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'The Nile delta area cold hydrocarbon seeps'
  - 31° 30.00' N, 33° 10.00' E
  - 31° 30.00' N, 34° 00.00' E
  - 32° 00.00' N, 34° 00.00' E
  - 32° 00.00' N, 33° 10.00' E
- (c) Deep Sea fisheries restricted area 'The Eratosthemes Seamount'
  - 33° 00.00' N, 32° 00.00' E
  - 33° 00.00' N, 33° 00.00' E
  - 34° 00.00' N, 33° 00.00' E
  - 34° 00.00' N, 32° 00.00' E

2. Member States shall take the measures necessary for the protection of the deep-sea sensitive habitats in the areas referred to in paragraph 1 and in particular shall ensure that these areas are protected from the impacts of any other activity than fishing activity jeopardizing the conservation of the features that characterize these particular habitats.

#### Article 31

## Minimum mesh size of trawl nets deployed in certain local and seasonal demersal trawl fisheries

1. By way of derogation from Article 8(1)(h) and from point (2) of Article 9(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006, Member States may continue to authorize fishing vessels flying their flag the use of codend mesh size smaller than 40 mm diamond to operate in certain local and seasonal demersal trawl fisheries exploiting fish stocks that are not shared with third countries.

2. Paragraph 1 shall apply only to fishing activities already formally authorized by Member States in accordance with national law in force on 1 January 2007 and shall not involve any future increase in fishing effort with respect to the year 2006.

3. Member States shall by 15 January 2008 through the accustomed data-processing support submit to the Commission the list of vessels authorised in accordance with paragraph 1. The list of authorised vessels shall include the following information:

- (a) the vessel's Community fleet register number (CFR) and external marking as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 26/2004;
- (b) the authorized fishery(ies) carried out by each vessel defined in terms of target stock(s), the fishing area as determined in Resolution GFCM/31/2007/2 as set out in Annex XIV and the technical mesh size characteristics of the fishing gear deployed;
- (c) the authorised fishing period.

4. The Commission shall forward the information obtained from the Member States to the GFCM Executive Secretariat.

#### CHAPTER VII

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE NAFO REGULATORY AREA

## Article 32

#### **Catch reporting**

1. The master of a vessel authorized to fish for Greenland halibut in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2115/2005 shall, by electronic means, send to the competent authorities of his flag Member State a catch report stating the quantities of Greenland halibut caught by his vessel, including zero catch returns.

2. The report provided for in paragraph 1 shall for the first time be transmitted at the latest at the end of the tenth day following the date of the entry of the vessel into the NAFO Regulatory Area or after the beginning of the fishing trip. The report shall be transmitted on a five day basis. When catches of Greenland halibut notified in accordance with paragraph 1 are deemed to have exhausted 75 % of the flag Member States' quota allocation, the master of a vessel shall transmit the reports on a three day basis.

3. Each Member State shall upon receipt forward the catch reports to the Commission. The Commission shall promptly forward that information to the NAFO Secretariat.

#### Article 33

#### Additional control measures

1. Vessels authorized to fish for Greenland halibut in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2115/2005 may only enter into the NAFO Regulatory Area to fish for Greenland halibut if they have less than 50 tons of any catch on board or if access is permitted in accordance with paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of this Article.

2. Where a vessel authorized to fish for Greenland halibut in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2115/2005 has catches from outside the NAFO Regulatory Area of 50 tons or more on board, it shall communicate to the NAFO Secretariat, by e-mail or fax at the latest 72 hours prior to the entry (ENT) into the NAFO Regulatory area, the amount of catch retained on board, the position (latitude/longitude) where the master of the vessel estimates that the vessel will commence fishing, and the estimated time of arrival at the position.

3. If an inspection vessel, following the notification referred to in paragraph 2, signals its intention to carry out an inspection, it shall communicate the coordinates of a checkpoint for an inspection to take place to the fishing vessel. The checkpoint shall be no more than 60 nautical miles from the position where the master of the vessel estimates that the vessel will commence fishing.

4. If a fishing vessels authorized to fish for Greenland halibut in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 2115/2005 receives no communication from the NAFO Secretariat or from an inspection vessel, by the time it enters the NAFO Regulatory Area, that an inspection vessel intends to carry out an inspection in accordance with paragraph 3, the fishing vessel may proceed to fish. The fishing vessel may also commence fishing activities without prior inspection if the inspection vessel has not commenced the inspection within three hours following the arrival of the fishing vessel at the checkpoint.

## **Coral protection zone**

In NAFO Division 30 the area defined in Annex VII shall be closed to all fishing activity involving bottom contact gear.

#### CHAPTER VIII

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR THE LANDING OR TRANSHIPPING OF FROZEN FISH CAUGHT BY THIRD-COUNTRY FISHING VESSELS IN THE NEAFC CONVENTION AREA

#### Article 35

#### Port State control

Without prejudice to Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 and to Council Regulation (EC) No 1093/94 of 6 May 1994 setting the terms under which fishing vessels of a third country may land directly and market their catches at Community ports (<sup>1</sup>) the procedures set out in this Chapter shall apply to landing or transhipping in ports of Member States of frozen fish caught by third country fishing vessels in the NEAFC Convention area.

#### Article 36

#### **Designated ports**

Landings and transhipments in Community waters shall only be allowed in designated ports.

Member States shall designate a place used for landings or a place close to the shore (designated ports) where landings or transhipment operations of fish, referred to in Article 35, are permitted. Member States shall notify the Commission of any changes to the list of ports designated in 2007 at least fifteen days before the change shall come into force.

The Commission shall publish the list of designated ports and changes thereto in the 'C' series of the *Official Journal of the European Union* and place it on its website.

#### Article 37

#### Prior notice of entry into port

1. By way of derogation from Article 28e(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, the masters of all fishing vessels or their representatives, carrying fish referred to in Article 35 of this Regulation, intending to call into a port to land or tranship shall notify the competent authorities of the Member State of the port they wish to use at least three working days before the estimated time of arrival.

2. The notification referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be accompanied by the form provided for in Part I of Annex VIII with Part A duly completed as follows:

- (a) Form PSC 1 shall be used where the fishing vessel is landing its own catch;
- (b) Form PSC 2 shall be used where the fishing vessel has engaged in transhipment operations. In such cases a separate form shall be used for each donor vessel.

3. The competent authorities of the port Member State shall forward a copy of the form as referred to in paragraph 2 without delay to the flag State of the fishing vessel and to the flag State(s) of donor vessels when the vessel has engaged in transhipment operations.

## Article 38

#### Authorisation to land or tranship

1. Landings or transhipments may only be authorised by the competent authorities of the port Member State if the flag State of the fishing vessel intending to land or tranship, or where the vessel has engaged in transhipment operations outside a port, the flag State or States of donor vessels, have confirmed by returning a copy of the form transmitted pursuant to Article 37(3) with Part B duly completed, that:

- (a) the fishing vessels declared to have caught the fish had sufficient quota for the species declared;
- (b) the quantities of fish on board have been duly reported and taken into account for the calculation of any catch or effort limitations that may be applicable;
- (c) the fishing vessels declared to have caught the fish had authorisation to fish in the areas declared;
- (d) the presence of the vessel in the area of catch declared has been verified according to VMS data.

Landing or transhipment operations may only commence after authorisation has been given by the competent authorities of the port Member State.

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1 the competent authorities of the port Member State may authorise all or part of a landing in the absence of the confirmation referred to in paragraph 1 but shall in such cases keep the fish concerned in storage under the control of the competent authorities. The fish shall only be released to be sold, taken over or transported once the confirmation referred to in paragraph 1 has been received. If the confirmation has not been received within 14 days of the landing the competent authorities of the port Member State may confiscate and dispose of the fish in accordance with national rules.

3. The competent authorities of the port Member State shall notify without delay its decision whether or not to authorise the landing or transhipment by transmitting a copy of the form provided for in Part I of Annex VIII with Part C duly completed to the Commission and to the Secretary of NEAFC when the fish landed or transhipped is caught in the NEAFC Convention area.

#### Article 39

#### Inspections

1. The competent authorities of Member States shall carry out inspections of at least 15 % of landings or transhipments by third country fishing vessels, referred to in Article 35, in its ports each year.

2. Inspections shall involve the monitoring of the entire discharge or transhipment and include a cross-check between the quantities by species recorded in the prior notice of landing and the quantities by species landed or transhipped.

3. Inspectors shall make all possible efforts to avoid unduly delaying a fishing vessel and ensure that the fishing vessel suffers the minimum interference and inconvenience and that degradation of the quality of the fish is avoided.

#### **Inspection reports**

1. Each inspection shall be documented by completing an inspection report as set out in Part II of Annex VIII.

2. A copy of each inspection report shall be transmitted without delay to the flag State of the inspected fishing vessel and to the flag State or States of donor vessels where the fishing vessel has engaged in transhipment operations and to the Commission and the Secretary of NEAFC when the fish landed or transhipped is caught in the NEAFC Convention Area.

3. The original or a certified copy of each inspection report shall be forwarded on request to the flag State of the inspected fishing vessel.

#### CHAPTER IX

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE CCAMLR CONVENTION AREA

#### SECTION 1

#### Restrictions and vessel information requirements

#### Article 41

#### **Prohibitions and catch limitations**

1. Direct fishing of the species set out in Annex IX shall be prohibited in the zones and during the periods set out in that Annex.

2. For new and exploratory fisheries, the catch and by-catch limits set out in Annex X shall apply in the Subareas set out in that Annex.

#### SECTION 2

#### Exploratory fisheries

#### Article 42

#### Rules of conduct for exploratory fisheries

Without prejudice to Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 Member States shall ensure that all Community fishing vessels are equipped with:

- (a) adequate communication equipment (including MF/HF radio and carriage of at least one 406 MHz Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) and trained operators on board and wherever possible fitted with GMDSS equipment;
- (b) sufficient immersion survival suits for all on board;
- (c) adequate arrangements to handle medical emergencies that may arise in the course of the voyage;
- (d) reserves of food, fresh water, fuel and spare parts for critical equipment to provide for unforseen delays and besetment;
- (e) an approved Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (SOPEP) outlining marine pollution mitigation arrangements (including insurance) in the event of a fuel or waste spill.

## Participation in exploratory fisheries

1. Fishing vessels flying the flag of, and registered in, Spain that have been notified to CCAMLR in accordance with the provisions of Articles 7 and 7a of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 may participate in long-line exploratory fisheries for *Dissostichus* spp. in Subareas FAO 88.1 and 88.2 as well as in Divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2 and 58.4.3b) outside Areas of national jurisdiction.

2. No more than one fishing vessel shall fish in Division 58.4.3a) and 58.4.3b) at any one time.

3. With regard to Subareas 88.1 and 88.2 as well as Divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2, total catch and by-catch limits per Subarea and Division, and their distribution among Small Scale Research Units (SSRUs) within each of them shall be as set out in Annex X. Fishing in any SSRU shall cease when the reported catch reaches the specified catch limit, and that SSRU shall be closed to fishing for the remainder of the season.

4. Fishing shall take place over as large a geographical and bathymetric range as possible to obtain the information necessary to determine fishery potential and to avoid over-concentration of catch and fishing effort. However, fishing in Divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2 shall be prohibited in depths less than 550 m.

#### Article 44

#### **Reporting systems**

Fishing vessels participating in the exploratory fisheries as referred to in Article 43 shall be subject to the following catch and effort reporting systems:

- (a) the Five-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, with the exception that Member States shall submit to the Commission catch and effort reports not later than two working days after the end of each reporting period, for immediate transmission to CCAMLR. In Subareas 88.1 and 88.2 as well as in Divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2, reporting shall be made by Small Scale Research Units;
- (b) the Monthly fine-scale Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004;
- (c) the total number and weight of *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* discarded, including those with the 'jellymeat' condition, shall be reported.

#### Article 45

#### **Definition of hauls**

1. For the purposes of this Section, a haul shall comprise the setting of one or more lines in a single location. The precise geographic position of a haul shall be determined by the centre-point of the line or lines deployed for the purposes of catch and effort reporting.

- 2. To be designated as a research haul:
- (a) each research haul shall be separated by no less than five nautical miles from any other research haul, distance to be measured from the geographical mid-point of each research haul;
- (b) each haul shall comprise at least 3 500 hooks and no more than 10 000 hooks; this may comprise a number of separate lines set in the same location;

(c) each haul of a longline shall have a soak time of not less than six hours, measured from the time of completion of the setting process to the beginning of the hauling process.

#### Article 46

#### **Research plans**

Fishing vessels participating in the exploratory fisheries referred to in Article 43 shall implement Research Plans, in each and all SSRUs in which FAO Subareas 88.1 and 88.2 as well as Divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2 are divided. The Research Plan shall be implemented in the following manner:

- (a) on first entry into a SSRU, the first 10 hauls, designated 'first series', shall be designated 'research hauls' and must satisfy the criteria set out in Article 45(2);
- (b) the next 10 hauls, or 10 tonnes of catch, whichever trigger level is achieved first, shall be designated the 'second series'. Hauls in the second series may, at the discretion of the master, be fished as part of normal exploratory fishing. However, provided they satisfy the requirements of Article 45(2), these hauls may also be designated as research hauls;
- (c) on completion of the first and second series of hauls, if the master wishes to continue to fish within the SSRU, the vessel shall undertake a 'third series' which shall result in a total of 20 research hauls being made in all three series. The third series of hauls shall be completed during the same visit as the first and the second series in a SSRU;
- (d) on completion of 20 research hauls of the third series, the vessel may continue to fish within the SSRU;
- (e) in SSRUs A, B, C, E and G in Subareas 88.1 and 88.2 where fishable seabed area is less than 15 000 km<sup>2</sup>, points (b), (c) and (d) shall not apply and on completion of 10 research hauls the vessel may continue to fish within the SSRU.

#### Article 47

#### Data collection plans

1. Fishing vessels participating in the exploratory fisheries referred to in Article 43 shall implement data collection plans, in each and all SSRUs in which FAO Subareas 88.1 and 88.2 as well as Divisions 58.4.1 and 58.4.2 are divided. The Data Collection Plan shall comprise the following data:

- (a) the position and sea depth at each end of every line in a haul;
- (b) the setting, soak, and hauling times;
- (c) the number and species of fish lost at surface;
- (d) the number of hooks set;
- (e) the bait type;
- (f) the baiting success (%);
- (g) the hook type; and
- (h) the sea and cloud conditions and phase of the moon at the time of setting the lines.

2. All data referred to under paragraph 1 shall be collected for every research haul; in particular, all fish in a research haul up to 100 fish are to be measured and at least 30 fish sampled for biological studies. Where more than 100 fish are caught, a method for randomly subsampling the fish shall be applied.

## **Tagging programme**

Without prejudice to Article 7b of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 each longline vessel shall tag and release *Dissostichus* spp., continuously while fishing, at a rate specified in the conservation measure for that fishery according to the CCAMLR Tagging Protocol.

#### Article 49

#### Scientific observers

1. Each fishing vessel participating in the exploratory fisheries referred to in Article 43 shall have at least two scientific observers, one of which shall be an observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.

2. Each Member State, subject to and in accordance with their applicable laws and regulations, including rules governing the admissibility of evidence in domestic courts, shall consider and act on reports from inspectors of designating CCAMLR Contracting party under this scheme on the same basis as reports from its own inspectors and both Member State and designating CCAMLR Contracting party concerned shall cooperate in order to facilitate judicial or other proceedings arising from any such report.

#### Article 50

#### Notifications of intent to participate in a krill fishery

1. By way of derogation from Article 5a of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004, Member States intending to fish for krill in the CCAMLR Convention Area, as defined in Article 2 of that Regulation, shall notify the CCAMLR Secretariat and the Commission, of their intention not less than four months in advance of the annual meeting of the CCAMLR Commission, immediately prior to the season in which they intend to fish, using the format laid down in Annex XI to this Regulation in order to ensure an appropriate review by the CCAMLR Commission before the vessels commence fishing.

2. The notification, referred to in paragraph 1 shall include the information provided for in Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 for each vessel to be authorised by the Member State to participate in the krill fishery.

3. Member States intending to fish for krill in the CCAMLR Convention Area shall only notify vessels flying its flag at the time of the notification.

4. By way of derogation from paragraph 3, Member States shall be entitled to authorise participation in a krill fishery by a vessel other than that notified to CCAMLR in accordance with paragraphs 1 to 3, if the notified vessel is prevented from participation due to legitimate operational reasons or *force majeure*. In such circumstances Member States concerned shall immediately inform the CCAMLR Secretariat and the Commission, providing:

- (i) full details of the intended replacement vessel(s) referred to in paragraph 2;
- (ii) a comprehensive account of the reasons justifying the replacement and any relevant supporting evidence or references.

5. By way of derogation from paragraphs 3 and 4, Member States shall not authorise a vessel on either of the CCAMLR IUU Vessel Lists to participate in krill fisheries.

## Precautionary catch limitations on krill fishery for certain sub areas

1. The total combined catch of krill in Statistical Sub areas 48.1, 48.2, 48.3 and 48.4 shall be limited to 3,47 million tonnes in any fishing season. The total catch of krill in Statistical Division 58.4.2 shall be limited to 2,645 million tonnes in any fishing season.

2. Until an allocation of this total catch limit between smaller management units has been defined, based on the advice from the Scientific Committee, the total combined catch in Statistical Sub areas 48.1, 48.2, 48.3 and 48.4 shall be further limited to 620 000 tonnes in any fishing season. The total catch in Division 58.4.2 shall be limited to 260 000 tonnes West of  $55^{\circ}E$  and 192 000 tonnes East of  $55^{\circ}E$  in any fishing season.

3. A fishing season shall begin on 1 December and end on 30 November of the following year.

4. Each vessel participating in the krill fishery in Division 58.4.2 shall have at least one scientific observer in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation or a domestic scientific observer fulfilling the requests in that scheme, and where possible one additional scientific observer on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.

#### Article 52

#### Data Reporting System for krill fisheries

1. Catches of krill shall be reported in accordance with Article 10 of Regulation (EC) 601/2004.

2. When the total reported catch in any fishing season is greater than or equal to 80 % of the trigger level of 620 000 tonnes in Sub areas 48.1, 48.2, 48.3 and 48.4 and of 260 000 tonnes west of  $55^{\circ}E$  and 192 000 tonnes east of  $55^{\circ}E$  in sub area 58.4.2, catches shall be reported in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EC) 601/2004.

3. In the fishing season following that in which the total catch has been greater than or equal to 80 % of the trigger level, laid down in paragraph 2, catches shall be reported in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EC) 601/2004 when the total catch is greater than or equal to 50 % of that trigger level.

4. At the end of each fishing season Member States shall obtain from each of its vessels the haul-by-haul data required to complete the CCAMLR fine-scale catch and effort data form. It shall transmit those data, in the trawl fisheries form C1 of CCAMLR, to the CCAMLR Executive Secretary and to the Commission not later than 1 April of the following year.

#### Article 53

#### Certain limits on the exploratory fishery for Dissostichus spp.

1. The total catch of *Dissostichus* spp. on BANZARE Bank

(Statistical Division 58.4.3b) outside areas falling under national jurisdiction in the 2007/08 fishing season shall not exceed:

(i) a precautionary catch limit of 150 tonnes applied as follows:

SSRU A — 150 tonnes

SSRU B — 0 tonnes;

(ii) an additional catch limit of 50 tonnes for the scientific research survey in SSRUs A and B in 2007/08.

2. The total catch in SSRU A, referred to in paragraph 1(i), shall not be taken during the period from 16 March 2008 until the end of the scientific research survey or 1 June 2008, whichever is sooner.

#### Article 54

#### Interim prohibition of deep-sea gillnetting

#### 1. For the purpose of this Article the following definition shall apply:

Gillnets are strings of single, double or triple netting walls, vertical, near the surface, in midwater or on the bottom, in which fish will gill, entangle or enmesh. Gillnets have floats on the upper line (headrope) and, in general, weights on the ground-line (footrope). Gillnets consist of single or, less commonly, double or triple netting (known as 'trammel net') mounted together on the same frame ropes. Several types of nets may be combined in one gear (for example, trammel net combined with gillnet). These nets can be used either alone or, as is more usual, in large numbers placed in line ('fleets' of nets). The gear can be set, anchored to the bottom (known as 'bottom-set net') or left drifting, free or connected with the vessel (known as 'driftnet').

2. The use of gillnets in the CCAMLR Convention Area, for purposes other than scientific research, is prohibited until such time as the Scientific Committee has investigated and reported on the potential impacts of this gear and the Commission has agreed on the basis of advice from the Scientific Committee that such a method may be used in the CCAMLR Convention Area.

3. Proposal for the use of gillnets for scientific research in waters deeper than 100 meters shall be notified in advance to the Scientific Committee and be approved by the Commission before such research can commence.

4. Any vessel seeking to transit the CCAMLR Convention Area carrying gillnets must give advance notice of its intent, including the expected dates of its passage through the CCAMLR Convention Area to the Secretariat. Any vessel in possession of gillnets within the CCAMLR Convention Area which has not given such an advance notice, shall be in breach of this provisions.

#### Article 55

#### Minimisation of the incidental mortality of seabirds

1. Without prejudice to Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 601/2004 vessels using the Spanish method of longline fishing shall release weights before line tension occurs.

2. For the purpose of the longline fishing referred to in paragraph 1, the following weights may be used:

- (a) traditional weights made from rocks or concrete of at least 8.5 kg mass which shall be used, spaced at intervals of no more than 40 m;
- (b) traditional weights made from rocks or concrete of at least 6 kg mass which shall be used, spaced at intervals of no more than 20 m, or
- (c) solid steel weights, not made from chain links, of at least 5 kg mass which shall be used, spaced at intervals of no more than 40 m.

#### Article 56

#### **Closure of all fisheries**

1. Following notification by the CCAMLR Secretariat of the closure of a fishery, Member States shall ensure that all vessels flying their flag and fishing in the area, management area, subarea, division, small-scale

research unit or other management unit, subject to the closure notice, shall remove all their fishing gear from the water by the notified closure date and time.

2. On receipt of such notification by the vessel, no further longlines may be set within 24 hours of the notified date and time. If such notification is received less than 24 hours before the closure date and time, no further longlines may be set following receipt of that notification.

3. In the case of closure of the fishery, all vessels shall depart from the fishing area as soon as all fishing gear has been removed from the water.

4. Where a vessel is unable to remove all its fishing gear from the water by the notified closure date and time for reasons relating to:

(i) the safety of the vessel and crew;

(ii) the limitations which may arise from adverse weather conditions;

(iii) sea-ice cover; or

(iv) the need to protect the Antarctic marine environment,

the vessel shall notify the Member State concerned of the situation. The Member States shall promptly notify the CCAMLR Secretariat, and the Commission. The vessel shall nonetheless make all reasonable efforts to remove all its fishing gear from the water as soon as possible.

5. If paragraph 4 applies, Member States shall carry out an investigation of the vessel's actions and, according to its domestic procedures, report the CCAMLR Secretariat and the Commission of its findings, including all relevant matters, no later than the next CCAMLR meeting. The final report shall assess whether the vessel made all reasonable efforts to remove all its fishing gear from the water:

(i) by the notified closure date and time; and

(ii) as soon as possible after the notification referred to in paragraph 4.

6. Where a vessel does not depart from the closed area as soon as all fishing gear has been removed from the water, the flag Member State or vessel shall inform the CCAMLR Secretariat and the Commission.

#### CHAPTER X

## SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE SEAFO AREA

#### SECTION 1

#### Authorisation of vessels

#### Article 57

#### Authorisation of vessels

1. Member States shall submit electronically, where possible, to the Commission by 1 June 2008, the list of their vessels that are authorised to operate in the SEAFO Convention Area by issue of a fishing permit.

2. Owners of the vessels included in the list referred to in paragraph 1 shall be citizens or legal entities of the Community.

3. Fishing vessels may be authorised to operate in the SEAFO Convention Area only if they are able to fulfil in respect of those vessels the requirements and responsibilities under the SEAFO Convention and its conservation and management measures.

4. No fishing permit shall be issued to vessels that have a history of IUU fishing activities unless the new owners have provided sufficient evidence demonstrating that the previous owners and operators have no legal, beneficial or financial interest in, or control over those vessels, or that, having taken into account all relevant facts, their vessels are not engaged in or associated with IUU fishing.

5. The list referred to in paragraph 1 shall include the following information:

- (a) name of vessel, registration number, previous names (if known), and port of registry;
- (b) previous flag (if any);
- (c) International Radio Call Sign (if any);
- (d) name and address of owner or owners;
- (e) type of vessel;
- (f) length;
- (g) name and address of operator (manager) or operators (managers) (if any);
- (h) gross register tonnage; and
- (i) power of main engine or engines.

6. Member States shall promptly notify the Commission, after the establishment of the initial list of authorised vessels, of any addition to, deletion from and/or any modification whenever such changes occur.

#### Article 58

#### **Obligations for authorised vessels**

1. Vessels shall comply with all the relevant SEAFO conservation and management measures.

2. Authorised vessels shall keep on board valid certificates of vessel registration and valid authorisation to fish and/or tranship.

#### Article 59

## Unauthorised vessels

1. Member States shall take measures to prohibit the fishing for, the retaining on board, the transhipment and landing of species covered by the SEAFO Convention by the vessels which are not entered into the SEAFO record of authorised vessels.

2. Member States shall notify the Commission of any factual information showing that there are reasonable grounds for suspecting vessels not on the SEAFO record of authorised vessels to be engaged in fishing for and/or transhipment of species covered by the SEAFO Convention in the SEAFO Convention Area.

3. Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the owners of vessels included in the SEAFO record of authorised vessels are not engaged in or associated with fishing activities conducted by vessels not entered into the record of authorised vessels in the SEAFO Convention Area.

#### SECTION 2

#### **Transhipments**

#### Article 60

#### Prohibition of transhipments at sea

Each Member State shall prohibit transhipments at sea by vessels flying their flag in the SEAFO Convention Area, for species covered by the SEAFO Convention.

#### Article 61

#### **In-port Transhipments**

1. Community fishing vessels which catch species covered by the SEAFO Convention in the SEAFO Convention Area shall only tranship in the port of a SEAFO Contracting Party if they have prior authorisation from the Contracting Party in whose port the operation will take place. Community fishing vessels shall be permitted to carry out transhipments only if they have obtained such a prior authorisation to tranship from the flag Member State and the port State.

2. Each Member State shall ensure that its authorised fishing vessels obtain a prior authorisation to engage in in-port transhipments. Member States shall also ensure that the transhipments are consistent with the reported catch amount of each vessel and require the reporting of transhipments.

3. The master of a Community fishing vessel who transships to another vessel, hereinafter referred to as 'the receiving vessel', any quantity of catches of species covered by the SEAFO Convention fished in the SEAFO Convention Area shall at the time of the transshipment inform the flag State of the receiving vessel of the species and quantities involved, of the date of the transshipment and the location of catches and shall submit to his flag Member State a SEAFO transshipment declaration in accordance with the format set out in Part I of Annex XII.

4. The master of the Community fishing vessel shall notify, at least 24 hours in advance, the following information to the SEAFO Contracting Party in whose port the transshipment will take place:

- the names of the transshipping fishing vessels,
- the names of the receiving vessels,
- the tonnage by species to be transshipped,
- the day and port of transshipment.

5. Not later than 24 hours before the beginning, and at the end of a transshipment when this takes place in a port of a SEAFO Contracting Party, the master of the Community flagged receiving vessel shall inform the competent authorities of the port State of the quantities of catches of species covered by the SEAFO Convention on board his vessel and transmit the SEAFO transshipment declaration to these competent authorities within 24 hours.

6. The master of the receiving Community vessel shall, 48 hours before landing, submit a SEAFO transshipment declaration to the competent authorities of the port State where the landing takes place.

7. Each Member State shall take the appropriate measures to verify the accuracy of the information received and shall cooperate with the flag State to ensure that landings are consistent with the reported catches amount of each vessel.

8. Each Member State with vessels authorized to fish in the SEAFO Convention Area for species covered by the SEAFO Convention, shall notify by 1 June 2008 to the Commission the details of the transshipments by its flag vessels.

## SECTION 3

## Conservation measures for the management of vulnerable deep-water habitats and ecosystems

#### Article 62

### **Closed** areas

All fishing activities for species covered by the SEAFO Convention by Community fishing vessels shall be prohibited in the areas defined below:

- (a) Sub Division A1
  - (i) Dampier Seamount

10°00'S	02°00′W	10°00'S	00°00′E
12°00'S	02°00′W	12°00'S	00°00′E

(ii) Malahit Guyot Seamount

11°00'S 02°00'W	11°00'S 04°00'W
13°00'S 02°00'W	13°00'S 04°00'W

(b) Sub-division B1

Molloy Seamount

27°00'S 08°00'E	27°00'S 10°00'E
29°00'S 08°00'E	29°00'S 10°00'E

- (c) Division C
  - (i) Schmidt-Ott Seamount & Erica Seamount

37°00'S 13°00E	37°00'S 17°00'E
40°00'S 13°00E	40°00'S 17°00'E

(ii) Africana seamount

37°00'S 28°00E	37°00'S 30°00E
38°00'S 28°00E	38°00'S 30°00E

(iii) Panzarini Seamount

39°00'S 11°00'E	39°00'S 13°00'E
41°00'S 11°00'E	41°00'S 13°00'E

## (d) Sub-division C1

(i) Vema Seamount	
31°00'S 08°00'E	31°00'S 09°00'E

32°00'S 08°00'E	32°00′S 09°00′E

(ii) Wust Seamount

33°00'S 06°00'E	33°00'S 08°00'E
34°00'S 06°00'E	34°00'S 08°00'E

#### (e) Division D

(i) Discovery, Junoy, Shannon Seamounts

41°00'S 06°00'W	41°00'S 03°00'E
44°00'S 06°00'W	44°00'S 03°00'E

(ii) Schwabenland & Herdman Seamounts

44°00'S 01°00'W	44°00'S 02°00'E
47°00'S 01°00'W	47°00'S 02°00'E

#### Article 63

## Resumption of fishing in a closed area

1. No fishing shall resume in a closed fishing area referred to in Article 62 until the flag State has identified and mapped vulnerable marine ecosystems, including seamounts, hydrothermal vents and cold water corals in the area and made an assessment on the impact of any resumption of fishing on such vulnerable marine ecosystems.

2. The results of the identification, mapping and impact assessment carried out in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be submitted by the flag State to the Commission for transmission to the Annual Scientific Committee Meeting of SEAFO.

3. Member States may submit Research Fishing Plans to the Commission for evaluation of the impact of the fisheries on the sustainability of the fisheries resources and on vulnerable marine habitats.

## SECTION 4

#### Measures on reducing incidental by-catch of seabirds

#### Article 64

## Information on interactions with seabirds

Member States shall collect and provide all available information to the Commission by 1 June 2008, on interactions with seabirds, including incidental catches by their fishing vessels, fishing for species covered by the SEAFO Convention.

#### Article 65

#### Mitigation measures

1. All Community vessels fishing south of the parallel of latitude 30 degrees South shall carry and use bird-scaring lines (tori poles):

- (a) tori poles shall comply with agreed tori pole design and deployment guidelines, as set out in Part II of Annex XII;
- (b) tori poles shall be deployed prior to longlines entering the water at all times south of the parallel of latitude 30 degrees South;
- (c) where practical, vessels shall be encouraged to use a second tori pole and bird-scaring line at times of high bird abundance or activity;
- (d) back-up tori lines shall be carried by all vessels and be ready for immediate use.

2. Longlines shall be set at night only (i.e. during the hours of darkness between the times of nautical twilight (<sup>1</sup>). During longline fishing at night, only the minimum ship's lights necessary for safety shall be used.

3. The dumping of offal shall be prohibited while gear is being shot or set. The dumping of offal during the hauling of gear shall be avoided. Any such discharge shall take place, where possible, on the opposite side of the vessel to that where the gear is being hauled. For vessels or fisheries where there is no requirement to retain offal on board the vessel, a system shall be implemented to remove fish hooks from offal and fish heads prior to discharge. Nets shall be cleaned prior to shooting to remove items that might attract seabirds.

4. Community fishing vessels shall adopt shooting and hauling procedures that minimise the time during which the net is lying on the surface with the meshes slack. Net maintenance shall, to the extent possible, not be carried out with the net in the water.

5. Community fishing vessels shall be encouraged to develop gear configurations that will minimise the likelihood of birds encountering the part of the net to which they are most vulnerable. This may include increasing the weighting or decreasing the buoyancy of the net so that it sinks faster, or placing coloured streamer or other devices over particular areas of the net where the mesh sizes create a particular danger to birds.

6. Community fishing vessels which are so configured that they lack on-board processing facilities or adequate capacity to retain offal onboard, or the ability to discharge offal on the opposite side of the vessel to that where gear is being hauled, shall not be authorised to fish in the SEAFO Convention Area.

7. Every effort shall be made to ensure that birds captured alive during fishing operations are released alive and that whenever possible hooks are removed without jeopardising the life of the bird concerned.

#### SECTION 5

#### Control

#### Article 66

## Special Provisions for Patagonian Toothfish (Dissostichus eleginoides)

1. The master of a vessel authorised to fish for Patagonian Toothfish in the SEAFO Convention Area in accordance with Article 57 shall, by electronic means, send to the competent authorities of his flag Member State and the SEAFO Secretariat a catch report stating the quantities of Patagonian Toothfish caught by his vessel including nil returns. This report shall be sent every five days of the fishing trip. Each Member State shall promptly forward that information to the Commission.

2. Member States with vessels authorised to fish for Patagonian Toothfish in the SEAFO Convention Area shall provide detailed catch and effort data to the Commission, and the SEAFO Secretariat, no later than 30 June 2008.

<sup>(1)</sup> The exact times of nautical twilight are set out in the Nautical Almanac tables for the relevant latitude, local time and date. All times, whether for ship operations or observer reporting, shall be referenced to GMT.

## Special Provisions for Deep-sea Red Crab (Chaceon spp)

1. The master of a vessel authorised to fish for Deep-sea Red Crab in the SEAFO Convention Area in accordance with Article 57 shall, by electronic means, send to the competent authorities of his flag Member State and the SEAFO Secretariat a catch report stating the quantities of Deep-sea Red Crab caught by his vessel including nil returns. This report shall be sent every five days of the fishing trip. Each Member State shall promptly forward that information to the Commission.

2. Member States with vessels authorised to fish for Deep-sea Red Crab in the SEAFO Convention Area shall provide detailed catch and effort data to the Commission, and the SEAFO Secretariat, no later than 30 June 2008.

#### Article 68

#### Communication of vessel movements and catches

1. Fishing vessels and fishing research vessels authorised to fish in the SEAFO Convention Area and which are engaged in fishing shall send entry, catch and exit reports to the flag Member State's authorities by VMS, or other appropriate means, and, if the flag Member State so requires, to the SEAFO Executive Secretary.

2. The entry report shall be made no more than 12 hours and at least 6 hours in advance of each entry into the SEAFO Convention Area and shall include entering date, time, geographical position of the vessel and the quantity of fish on board by species (FAO 3 Alfa Code) and by live weight (Kg).

3. The Catch report shall be made by species (FAO 3 Alfa Code) and by live weight (Kg) at the end of each calendar month.

4. The exit report shall be made no more than 12 hours and at least 6 hours in advance of each exit from the SEAFO Convention Area. It shall include exiting date, time, geographical position of the vessel, the number of fishing days and the catch taken by species (FAO 3 Alfa Code) and by live weight (Kg) in the SEAFO Convention Area since the commencement of fishing in the SEAFO Convention Area, or since the last catch report.

#### Article 69

## Scientific observation and collection of information to support stock assessment

1. Each Member State shall ensure that all its fishing vessels operating in the SEAFO Convention Area, and targeting species covered by the SEAFO Convention, carry qualified scientific observers.

2. Each Member State shall require the submission of the information collected by the observers, in respect of each vessel flying its flag, within 30 days of leaving the SEAFO Convention Area. The data shall be submitted in the format specified by the SEAFO Scientific Committee. The Member State shall provide the Commission with a copy of the information, as soon as possible, taking account of the need to maintain confidentiality of non-aggregated data. The Member State may also provide the SEAFO Executive Secretary with a copy of the information.

3. The information referred to in this Article shall, to the greatest extent possible, be collected and verified by designated observers by 30 June 2008.

## Sightings of non-Contracting Party vessels

1. Fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State shall report to their flag Member State information on any possible fishing activity by vessels flying the flag of a non-Contracting Party in the SEAFO Convention Area. This information shall contain, inter alia:

- (a) name of the vessel;
- (b) registration number of the vessel;
- (c) flag State of the vessel;
- (d) any other relevant information regarding the sighted vessel.

2. Each Member State shall submit the information referred to in paragraph 1 to the Commission as rapidly as possible. The Commission shall forward this information to the SEAFO Executive Secretary for information.

#### CHAPTER XI

## SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE IOTC AREA

#### Article 71

#### Reduction of sea-birds by-catch

1. Member States shall collect and provide all available information to the IOTC, with copy to the Commission, on interactions with seabirds, including incidental catches by their fishing vessels.

2. Member States shall seek to achieve reductions in levels of seabird by catch across all fishing areas, seasons, and fisheries through the use of effective mitigation measures.

3. Community vessels fishing south of 30°S shall carry and use birdscaring lines (tori poles) according to following technical provisions:

- (a) tori poles shall be in accordance with agreed tori pole design and deployment guidelines adopted by IOTC;
- (b) tori lines are to be deployed prior to longlines entering the water at all times south of 30°S;
- (c) where practical, vessels shall use a second tori pole and bird-scaring line at times of high bird abundance or activity;
- (d) back-up tori lines shall be carried by all vessels and be ready for immediate use.

4. Community surface longline vessels, whilst targeting swordfish, utilising the 'American longline system' and equipped with a line-throwing device, shall be exempted from the requirements of paragraph 3.

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## Article 72

#### Limitation of fishing capacity of vessels fishing for tropical tunas

1. The maximum number of Community vessels fishing for tropical tunas in the IOTC area, and the corresponding capacity in gross tonnage (GT), shall be as follows:

Member State	Maximum number of vessels	Capacity (GT)
Spain	22	61 400

Member State	Maximum number of vessels	Capacity (GT)
France	21	31 467
Italy	1	2 137

2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, Member States may change the number of vessels, by gear type, provided that they can demonstrate to the Commission that this change does not lead to an increase of fishing effort on the fish stocks involved.

3. Member States shall ensure that, where there is a proposed transfer of capacity to their fleet, vessels to be transferred are entered on the IOTC record of vessels or on the record of vessels of other Tuna Regional Fisheries Management Organisations. No vessels on an IUU vessels list of any Regional Fisheries Management Organisation may be transferred.

4. The Community vessels referred to in paragraph 1 shall also be authorised to fish for swordfish and albacore in the IOTC area.

5. In order to take into account the implementation of the development plans submitted to the IOTC, the limitations of fishing capacity, as mentioned in this Article, may be increased within the limits set out in those development plans.

#### Article 73

# Limitation of fishing capacity of vessels fishing for swordfish or albacore

1. The maximum number of Community vessels fishing for swordfish and albacore in the IOTC area, and the corresponding capacity in GT, shall be as follows:

Member State	Maximum number of vessels	Capacity (GT)
Spain	27	11 600
France	25	1 940
Portugal	26	10 100
United Kingdom	4	1 400

2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, Member States may change the number of vessels, by gear type, provided that they can demonstrate to the Commission that this change does not lead to an increase of fishing effort on the fish stocks involved.

3. Member States shall ensure that, where there is a proposed transfer of capacity to their fleet, vessels to be transferred are on the IOTC record of vessels or on the record of vessels of other Tuna Regional Fisheries Organisations. No vessels on an IUU vessels list of any Regional Fisheries Management Organisation may be transferred.

4. The Community vessels referred to in paragraph 1 shall also be authorised to fish for tropical tuna in the IOTC area.

5. In order to take into account the implementation of the development plans submitted to the IOTC, the limitations of fishing capacity, as mentioned in this Article, may be increased within the limits set out in those development plans.

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#### CHAPTER XII

# SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE SPFO AREA

#### Article 74

### Pelagic fisheries — Capacity limitation

1. Member States shall limit the total level of gross tonnage (GT) of vessels flying their flag and fishing for pelagic stocks in 2008 to the levels of total GT recorded in 2007 in the SPFO area in a manner that sustainable exploitation of the pelagic fishery resources in South Pacific is ensured.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission by 15 January 2008 the total level of GT recorded in the Area in 2007 for those vessels flying their flag and actively fishing in 2007. In notifying this information, Member States shall verify the effective presence of their vessels in the SPFO area in 2007 through VMS records, catch reports, port calls or other means.

3. Member States with a catch history in the pelagic fisheries in the South Pacific, but not exercising their fisheries activities in 2007, may enter the fishery in the SPFO area in 2008 provided that they exercise voluntary restraint of fishing effort. These Member States shall promptly notify the Commission of the names and characteristics, including GT, of their vessels engaged in the fishery in the SPFO area.

4. Member States shall submit for review to the Interim Science Working Group of the SPFO any stock assessments and research in respect of pelagic stocks in the SPFO area and shall promote the active participation of their scientific experts in Organisation's scientific works on pelagic species.

5. Member States shall ensure as much as possible an appropriate level of observer coverage on fishing vessels flying their flag in order to observe the pelagic fisheries in the South Pacific and collect relevant scientific information.

### Article 75

#### **Bottom fisheries**

1. Member States shall limit bottom fishing effort or catch in the SPFO area to the average annual levels over the period 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2006 in terms of the number of fishing vessels and other parameters that reflect the level of catch, fishing effort, and fishing capacity.

2. Member States shall not expand bottom fishing activities into new regions of the SPFO area where such fishing is not currently occurring.

3. Community vessels shall cease bottom fishing activities within five nautical miles of any site in the SPFO area where, in the course of fishing operations, evidence of vulnerable marine ecosystems is encountered. Community vessels shall report the encounter, including the location, and the type of ecosystem in question, to the authorities of the of their flag State, to the Commission and to the SPFO Interim Secretariat so that appropriate measures can be adopted in respect of the relevant site.

4. Member States shall appoint observers to each vessel flying their flag and undertaking or proposing to undertake bottom trawling activities in the SPFO area and ensure an appropriate level of observer coverage on vessels flying their flag and undertaking other bottom fishing activities in the SPFO area.

### Article 76

## Data collection and sharing

Member States shall collect, verify and provide data in accordance with the procedures outlined in the SPFO Standards for the collection, reporting, verification and exchange of data.

#### CHAPTER XIII

# SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE WCPFC AREA

#### Article 77

### **Fishing effort limitations**

Member States shall ensure that the total fishing effort for bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, skipjack tuna and south pacific albacore in the WCPFC Area is limited to the fishing effort provided for in fisheries partnership agreements between the Community and coastal States in the region.

#### Article 78

#### Management plans for the use of FADs

1. Member States whose vessels are authorised to fish in the WCPFC Area shall develop management plans for the use of anchored or drifting FADs. Those management plans shall include strategies to limit the interaction with juvenile bigeye and yellowfin tuna.

2. Management plans referred to in paragraph 1 shall be submitted to the Commission not later than 15 October 2008. The Commission shall compile those management plans and submit a Community management plan to the WCPFC Secretariat not later than 31 December 2008.

#### Article 79

#### Maximum number of vessels fishing for swordfish

The number of Community vessels fishing for swordfish in areas south of 20° S of the WCPFC Area shall not exceed 14 vessels. Community participation shall be limited to vessels flying the flag of Spain.

### CHAPTER XIV

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE ICCAT AREA

#### Article 80

#### Reduction of sea-birds by-catch

1. Member States shall collect all available information on interactions with seabirds, including incidental catches by their fishing vessels and shall transmit that information to the ICCAT Secretariat and the Commission.

2. Member States shall seek to achieve reductions in levels of seabird by catch across all fishing areas, seasons, and fisheries through the use of effective mitigation measures.

3. Community vessels fishing south of 20°S shall carry and use birdscaring lines (tori poles) according to following technical provisions:

 (a) tori poles shall meet the conditions on the tori pole design and be in accordance with the deployment guidelines adopted by ICCAT;

- (b) tori lines are to be deployed prior to longlines entering the water at all times south of 20°S;
- (c) where practical vessels shall use a second tori pole and bird-scaring line at times of high bird abundance or activity;
- (d) back-up tori lines shall be carried by all vessels and be ready for immediate use.

4. By way of derogation from paragraph 3, Community longline vessels targeting swordfish may use monofilament longline gear, provided that these vessels:

- a) set their longlines during the period between nautical dusk/dawn as laid down in the nautical dusk/dawn almanac for the geographical position fished;
- b) use a minimum swivel weight of 60 g placed not more than 3 m from the hook to achieve optimum sink rates.

### Article 81

# Establishment of a closed area/season for the swordfish fisheries in Mediterranean Sea

In order to protect the swordfish, in particular small fish, fishing for swordfish in Mediterranean Sea shall be prohibited from 15 October to 15 November 2008.

#### Article 82

### Sharks

Member States shall take appropriate measures to reduce fishing mortality in fisheries targeting North Atlantic shortfin mako.

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### Article 82a

#### Maximum number of vessels fishing bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic

1. The maximum number of Community bait boats and trolling boats authorised to fish bluefin tuna of a minimum size of 8 kg or 75 cm in the Eastern Atlantic, and the allocation among the Member States of that maximum number shall be fixed as follows:

Spain	63	
France	44	
EC	107	

2. The maximum number of Community pelagic trawlers authorised to fish bluefin tuna of a minimum size of 8 kg or 75 cm as a bycatch in the Eastern Atlantic, and the allocation of that maximum number among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows:

France	107
EC	107

#### Article 82b

#### Catch limits for bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic

1. Within the catch limits laid down in Annex ID, the catch limit for bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm applicable to

authorised Community vessels referred to in Article 82a, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

Spain	1 117,07 ( <sup>1</sup> )
France	504
EC	1 621,07

(1) Including a maximum of 80 tonnes of by-catches for trolling boats.

2. Within the catch limits laid down in paragraph 1, the catch limit for bluefin tuna weighing no less than 6,4 kg or measuring no less than 70 cm applicable to bait boats of an overall length of less than 17 metres among the Community vessels referred to in Article 82a, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

France	45 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	45 ( <sup>1</sup> )	

(1) This quantity may be altered by the Commission, up to an amount of 200 tonnes.

#### Article 82c

# Catch limits for bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic applicable to the Community coastal fishery

Within the catch limits laid down in Annex ID, the catch limit for bluefin tuna between and 8 kg and 30 kg allocated to the Community coastal fishery for fresh fish in the Eastern Atlantic, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

Spain	263,21
France	61,01
EC	324,22

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### CHAPTER XV

### ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED AND UNREGULATED FISHERIES

#### Article 83

#### North Atlantic

Vessels engaged in illegal, unreported and unregulated fisheries in the North Atlantic shall be subject to the measures set out in Annex XIII.

#### CHAPTER XVI

#### FINAL PROVISIONS

#### Article 84

#### **Data transmission**

When, pursuant to Articles 15(1) and 18(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, Member States send the Commission data relating to

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landings of quantities of stocks caught, they shall use the stock codes set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

#### Article 85

## Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2008.

Where the TACs of the CCAMLR area are set for periods starting before 1 January 2008, Article 41 shall apply with effect from the beginning of the respective periods of application of the TACs.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

### ANNEX I

#### CATCH LIMITS APPLICABLE TO COMMUNITY VESSELS IN AREAS WHERE CATCH LIMITS EXIST AND FOR THIRD COUNTRIES' FISHING VESSELS IN EC WATERS, BY SPECIES AND BY AREA (IN TONNES LIVE WEIGHT, EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE SPECIFIED)

All catch limits set out in this Annex shall be considered as quotas for the purposes of Article 5 of this Regulation, and shall, therefore, be subject to the rules set out in Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, and in particular Articles 14 and 15 thereof.

Within each area, fish stocks are referred to following the alphabetical order of the Latin names of the species. The following table of correspondences of Latin names and common names is given for the purposes of this Regulation:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name	
Ammodytidae	SAN	Sandeel	
Anarhichas lupus	CAT	Atlantic catfish	
Aphanopus carbo	BSF	Black scabbardfish	
Argentina silus	ARU	Greater silver smelt	
Beryx spp.	ALF	Alfonsinos	
Boreogadus saida	POC	Polar cod	
Brosme brosme	USK	Tusk	
Centrophorus squamosus	GUQ	Leafscale gulper shark	
Centroscymnus coelolepis	СҮО	Portuguese dogfish	
Cetorhinus maximus	BSK	Basking shark	
Chaenocephalus aceratus	SSI	Blackfin icefish	
Champsocephalus gunnari	ANI	Antarctic icefish	
Channichthys rhinoceratus	LIC	Unicorn icefish	
Chionoecetes spp.	PCR	Snow crab	
Clupea harengus	HER	Herring	
Coryphaenoides rupestris	RNG	Roundnose grenadier	
Dalatias licha	SCK	Kitefin shark	
Deania calcea	DCA	Birdbeak dogfish	
Dissostichus eleginoides	TOP	Antarctic toothfish	
Engraulis encrasicolus	ANE	Anchovy	
Etmopterus princeps	ETR	Great lantern shark	
Etmopterus pusillus	ETP	Smooth lantern shark	
Etmopterus spinax	ETX	Velvet belly	
Euphausia superba	KRI	Krill	
Gadus morhua	COD	Cod	
Galeorhinus galeus	GAG	Tope shark	
Germo alalunga	ALB	Albacore tunna	
Glyptocephalus cynoglossus	WIT	Witch flounder	
Gobionotothen gibberifrons	NOG	Humped rockcod	
Hippoglossoides platessoides	PLA	American plaice	
Hippoglossus hippoglossus	HAL	Atlantic halibut	
Hoplostethus atlanticus	ORY	Orange roughy	
Illex illecebrosus	SQI	Short fin squid	
Lamna nasus	POR	Porbeagle	
Lampanyctus achirus	LAC	Lantern fish	

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
Lepidonotothen squamifrons	NOS	Grey rockcod
Lepidorhombus spp.	LEZ	Megrims
Limanda ferruginea	YEL	Yellowtail flounder
Limanda limanda	DAB	Dab
Lophiidae	ANF	Anglerfish
Macrourus berglax	RHG	Roughead grenadier
Macrourus spp.	GRV	Grenadier
Makaira nigricans	BUM	Blue marlin
Mallotus villosus	CAP	Capelin
Martialia hyadesi	SQS	Squid
Melanogrammus aeglefinus	HAD	Haddock
Merlangius merlangus	WHG	Whiting
Merluccius merluccius	HKE	Hake
Micromesistius poutassou	WHB	Blue whiting
Microstomus kitt	LEM	Lemon sole
▶ <u>C1</u> Molva dypterygia <i>◄</i>	BLI	▶ <u>C1</u> Blue ling $\triangleleft$
Molva macrophthalmus	SLI	Spanish ling
Molva molva	LIN	Ling
Nephrops norvegicus	NEP	Norway lobster
Notothenia rossii	NOR	Marbled rockcod
Pagellus bogaraveo	SBR	Red Seabream
Pandalus borealis	PRA	Northern prawn
Paralomis spp.	PAI	Crab
Penaeus spp.	PEN	'Penaeus' shrimps
Phycis spp.	FOX	Forkbeards
Platichthys flesus	FLX	Flounder
Pleuronectes platessa	PLE	Plaice
Pleuronectiformes	FLX	Flatfish
Pollachius pollachius	POL	Pollack
Pollachius virens	РОК	Saithe
Psetta maxima	TUR	Turbot
Pseudochaenichthus georgianus	SGI	South Georgian icefish
Rajidae	SRX-RAJ	Skates and rays
Reinhardtius hippoglossoides	GHL	Greenland halibut
Salmo salar	SAL	Atlantic salmon
Scomber scombrus	MAC	Mackerel
Scopthalmus rhombus	BLL	Brill
Sebastes spp.	RED	Redfish
Solea solea	SOL	Common sole
Solea spp.	SOX	Sole
Sprattus sprattus	SPR	Sprat
Squalus acanthias	DGS	Spurdog/dogfish
Tetrapturus alba	WHM	White marlin
Thunnus alalunga	ALB	Albacore
		Yellowfin tuna

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name	
Thunnus obesus	BET	Bigeye tuna	
Thunnus thynnus	BFT	Bluefin tuna	
Trachurus spp.	JAX	Horse mackerel	
Trisopterus esmarki	NOP	Norway pout	
Urophycis tenuis	HKW	White hake	
Xiphias gladius	SWO	Swordfish	

The following table of correspondences of common names and Latin names is given exclusively for explanatory purposes:

Albacore	ALB	Thunnus alalunga
Albacore tunna	ALB	Germo alalunga
Alfonsinos	ALF	Beryx spp.
American plaice	PLA	Hippoglossoides platessoides
Anchovy	ANE	Engraulis encrasicolus
Anglerfish	ANF	Lophiidae
Antarctic icefish	ANI	Champsocephalus gunnari
Antarctic toothfish	TOP	Dissostichus eleginoides
Atlantic catfish	CAT	Anarhichas lupus
Atlantic halibut	HAL	Hippoglossus hippoglossus
Atlantic salmon	SAL	Salmo salar
Basking shark	BSK	Cetorhinus maximus
Bigeye tuna	BET	Thunnus obesus
Birdbeak dogfish	DCA	Deania calcea
Black scabbardfish	BSF	Aphanopus carbo
Blackfin icefish	SSI	Chaenocephalus aceratus
▶ <u>C1</u> Blue ling $\triangleleft$	BLI	► <u>C1</u> Molva dypterygia ◄
Blue marlin	BUM	Makaira nigricans
Blue whiting	WHB	Micromesistius poutassou
Bluefin tuna	BFT	Thunnus thynnus
Brill	BLL	Scopthalmus rhombus
Capelin	CAP	Mallotus villosus
Cod	COD	Gadus morhua
Common sole	SOL	Solea solea
Crab	PAI	Paralomis spp.
Dab	DAB	Limanda limanda
Flatfish	FLX	Pleuronectiformes
Flounder	FLX	Platichthys flesus
Forkbeards	FOX	Phycis spp.
Great lantern shark	ETR	Etmopterus princeps
Greater silver smelt	ARU	Argentina silus
Greenland halibut	GHL	Reinhardtius hippoglossoides
Grenadier	GRV	Macrourus spp.
Grey rockcod	NOS	Lepidonotothen squamifrons
Haddock	HAD	Melanogrammus aeglefinus
Hake	HKE	Merluccius merluccius

Herring	HER	Clupea harengus
Horse mackerel	JAX	Trachurus spp.
Humped rockcod	NOG	Gobionotothen gibberifrons
Kitefin shark	SCK	Dalatias licha
Krill	KRI	Euphausia superba
Lantern fish	LAC	Lampanyctus achirus
Leafscale gulper shark	GUQ	Centrophorus squamosus
Lemon sole	LEM	Microstomus kitt
Ling	LIN	Molva molva
Mackerel	MAC	Scomber scombrus
Marbled rockcod	NOR	Notothenia rossii
Megrims	LEZ	Lepidorhombus spp.
Northern prawn	PRA	Pandalus borealis
Norway lobster	NEP	Nephrops norvegicus
Norway pout	NOP	Trisopterus esmarki
Orange roughy	ORY	Hoplostethus atlanticus
Penaeus shrimps	PEN	Penaeus spp.
Plaice	PLE	Pleuronectes platessa
Polar cod	POC	Boreogadus saida
Pollack	POL	Pollachius pollachius
Porbeagle	POR	Lamna nasus
Portuguese dogfish	СҮО	Centroscymnus coelolepis
Red Seabream	SBR	Pagellus bogaraveo
Redfish	RED	Sebastes spp.
Roughead grenadier	RHG	Macrourus berglax
Roundnose grenadier	RNG	Coryphaenoides rupestris
Saithe	РОК	Pollachius virens
Sandeel	SAN	Ammodytidae
Short fin squid	SQI	Illex illecebrosus
Skates and rays	SRX-RAJ	Rajidae
Smooth lantern shark	ETP	Etmopterus pusillus
Snow crab	PCR	Chionoecetes spp.
Sole	SOX	Solea spp.
South Georgian icefish	SGI	Pseudochaenichthus georgianus
Spanish ling	SLI	Molva macrophthalmus
Sprat	SPR	Sprattus sprattus
Spurdog/dogfish	DGS	Squalus acanthias
Squid	SQS	Martialia hyadesi
Swordfish	SWO	Xiphias gladius
Tope shark	GAG	Galeorhinus galeus
Turbot	TUR	Psetta maxima
Tusk	USK	Brosme brosme
Unicorn icefish	LIC	Channichthys rhinoceratus
Velvet belly	ETX	Etmopterus spinax
White hake	HKW	Urophycis tenuis
White marlin	WHM	Tetrapturus alba

Whiting	WHG	Merlangius merlangus
Witch flounder	WIT	Glyptocephalus cynoglossus
Yellowfin tuna	YFT	Thunnus albacares
Yellowtail flounder	YEL	Limanda ferruginea

## ANNEX IA

#### SKAGERRAK, KATTEGAT, ICES zones I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV, EC waters of CECAF, French Guyana waters

Species: Sandeel Ammodytidae		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV SAN/04-N.
Denmark	19 000		
United Kingdom	1 000		
EC	20 000		
TAC	Not relevant		Analytical TAC. Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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Species: Sandeel Ammodytidae		<b>Zone:</b> IIIa; EC waters of IIa and IV ( <sup>1</sup> ) SAN/2A3A4.
Denmark Germany Sweden United Kingdom EC Norway	335 087 ( <sup>2</sup> ) 513 ( <sup>3</sup> ) 12 304 ( <sup>4</sup> ) 7 324 ( <sup>5</sup> ) 355 228 ( <sup>6</sup> ) 20 000 ( <sup>7</sup> )	<ul> <li>Analytical TAC.</li> <li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li> </ul>
TAC	Not relevant	

(1) Excluding waters within 6 miles of UK baselines at Shetland, Fair Isle and Foula.

<sup>(2)</sup> Of which no more than 320 722 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 14 365 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of ICES zone IIIa only. (SAN/\*03A.)

<sup>(3)</sup> Of which no more than 491 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 22 tonnes may be fished in EC waters

<sup>(1)</sup> Of which no more than 11 777 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 527 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 527 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 527 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of ICES zone IIIa only. (SAN/\*03A.)
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<sup>(5)</sup> Of which no more than 7 010 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of IIa and IV. The remaining 314 tonnes may be fished in EC

waters of ICES zone IIIa only. (SAN/\*03A.) Of which no more than 340 000 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IIa and IV. The remaining 15 228 tonnes may be fished in EC waters of ICES zone IIIa only. (SAN/\*03A.) (6)

 $<sup>(^{7})</sup>$  To be taken in ICES zone IV.

Species: Greater silver smelt Argentina silus		<b>Zone:</b> EC and international waters of I and II ARU/1/2.
Germany	31	
France	10	
The Netherlands	25	
United Kingdom	50	
EC	116	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Greater silver smelt Argentina silus		Zone: EC waters of III and IV ARU/3/4.
Denmark	1 180	
Germany	12	
France	8	
Ireland	8	
The Netherlands	55	
Sweden	46	
United Kingdom	21	
EC	1 331	Precautionary TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does

not apply.

applies

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Greater silver smelt Argentina silus		Zone:	EC and international waters of V, VI and VII ARU/567.
Germany	405		
France	9		
Ireland	378		
The Netherlands	4 225		
United Kingdom	297		
EC	5 311		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies

Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

applies.

Species:	Tusk Brosme brosme		Zone:	EC waters of IIa, IV, Vb, VI and VII USK/2A47-C
EC		Not relevant		
Norway		3 350 (1) (2)		
TAC		Not relevant		Analytical TAC. Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per ship, at any moment, is authorised in zones Vb, VI and VII. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in zones Vb, VI and VII shall not exceed 3 000 tonnes.

(<sup>2</sup>) Including ling. The quotas for Norway are ling 5 638 tonnes, and tusk 3 350 tonnes and are interchangeable of up to 2 000 tonnes and may only be fished with long-lines in zones Vb, VI and VII.

Species: Tusk Brosme brosme		Zone: EC and international waters of I, II and XIV USK/1214EI
Germany	7 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
France	7 (1)	
United Kingdom	7 (1)	
Others	3 (1)	
EC	23 (1)	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

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(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

Species: Tusk Brosme brosme		Zone: EC waters of III USK/3EI.
Denmark	14	
Sweden	7	
Germany	7	
EC	28	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Tusk Brosme brosme		Zone:	EC waters of IV USK/4EI.
Denmark	62		
Germany	19		
France	44		
Sweden	6		
United Kingdom	94		
Others	6 (1)		
EC	231	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

applies.

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

	Zone: EC and international waters of V, VI and VII USK/567EI.
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21	
254	
25	
123	
6 (1)	
435	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
	21 254 25 123 6 ( <sup>1</sup> )

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

Species: Tusk Brosme brosme		Zone: Norwegian waters of IV USK/4AB-N.
Belgium	0	
Denmark	165	
Germany	1	
France	0	
The Netherlands	0	
United Kingdom	4	
EC	170	
TAC	Not relevant	<ul><li>Analytical TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies</li></ul>

Species: Herring ( <sup>1</sup> ) Clupea harengus		Zone: IIIa HER/03A.
Denmark	21 474	
Germany	344	
Sweden	22 463	
EC	44 281	
Faroe Islands	500 ( <sup>2</sup> )	
TAC	51 673	<ul> <li>Analytical TAC</li> <li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li> </ul>

 $(^1)$  Landings of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.  $(^2)$  To be taken in Skagerrak.

Species: Herring ( <sup>1</sup> ) Clupea harengus		Zone:	EC and Norwegian waters of ICES zone IV north of 53°30'N HER/04A., HER/04B.
Denmark	27 886		
Germany	17 536		
France	11 965		
The Netherlands	26 751		
Sweden	2 047		
United Kingdom	30 025		
EC	116 210		
Norway	50 000 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
TAC	201 227		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Landings of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm. Member States must inform the Commission of their landings of herring distinguishing between ICES zones IVa and IVb
 May be taken in EC waters. Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

applies.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified

	Norwegian waters south of 62°N (HER/*04N-)		
	50 000	_	
Herring Clupea harengus		Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N HER/04-N.
	846 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
	846		
	not relevant	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
	e	(HER/*04N-) 50 000 Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i> 846 ( <sup>1</sup> ) 846	(HER/*04N-) 50 000 Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i> <b>Zone:</b> 846 ( <sup>1</sup> ) 846

(1) By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack and whiting and saithe shall be counted against the quota for these species

Species:	Herring ( <sup>1</sup> ) Clupea harengus		Zone:	By-catches in zone IIIa HER/03A-BC
Denmark		9 805		
Germany		87		
Sweden		1 578		
EC		11 470		
TAC		11 470		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(^1)$  Landings of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

Species: Herring ( <sup>1</sup> ) Clupea harengus		Zone: By-catches in IV, VIId and in EC waters of IIa HER/2A47DX
Belgium	93	· ·
Denmark	18 004	
Germany	93	
France	93	
The Netherlands	93	
Sweden	88	
United Kingdom	342	
EC	18 806	
TAC	18 806	<ul> <li>Analytical TAC</li> <li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li> <li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96</li> </ul>

applies.

 $(^1)$  Landings of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Herring ( <sup>1</sup> ) Clupea harengus		Zone: VIId; IVc ( <sup>2</sup> ) HER/4CXB7D
Belgium	7 100 (3)	·
Denmark	397 ( <sup>3</sup> )	
Germany	250 (3)	
France	6 488 ( <sup>3</sup> )	
The Netherlands	10 157 ( <sup>3</sup> )	
United Kingdom	2 269 (3)	
EC	26 661	
TAC	201 227	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Landings of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.
 Except Blackwater stock: reference is to the herring stock in the maritime region of the Thames estuary within a zone delimited by a line running due south from Landguard Point (51°56' N, 1°19.1' E) to latitude 51°33' N and hence due west to a point on the coast

of the United Kingdom. Transfers of up to 50 % of this quota may be affected to zone IVb. However, such transfers must be notified in advance to the Commission (HER/\*04B.). (3)

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone: EC and international waters of Vb and VIb and VIaN ( <sup>1</sup> ) ► <u>C1</u> HER/5B6ANB ◄
Germany	2 967	
France	561	
Ireland	4 009	
The Netherlands	2 967	
United Kingdom	16 036	
EC	26 540	
Faroe Islands	660 ( <sup>2</sup> )	
TAC	27 200	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

applies.

 $<sup>(^1)</sup>$  Reference is to the herring stock in ICES zone VIa, north of 56°00' N and in that part of VIa which is situated east of 07°00' W and north of 55°00' N, excluding the Clyde.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>) This quota may only be taken in ICES zone VIa north of 56°30' N.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone:	VIIbc; VIaS ( <sup>1</sup> ) HER/6AS7BC
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 11 957 ◄		
The Netherlands	▶ <u>M1</u> 1 062 ◀		
EC	13 019		
TAC	13 019		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
			applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Reference is to the herring stock in ICES zone VIa south of  $56^{\circ}00'$  N and west of  $07^{\circ}00'$  W.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone: VI Clyde ( <sup>1</sup> ) HER/06ACL.	
United Kingdom	800		
EC	800		
TAC	800	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9 applies.	

(<sup>1</sup>) Clyde stock: reference is to the herring stock in the maritime area situated to the north-east of a line drawn between the Mull of Kintyre and Corsewall Point.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone:	VIIa ( <sup>1</sup> ) HER/07A/MM
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 1 309 ◄		
United Kingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 3 619 ◀		
EC	4 928		
TAC	4 928		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
			applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(<sup>1</sup>) Zone VIIa is reduced by the area added to the ICES zones VIIg, VIIh, VIIj and VIIk bounded:
to the north by latitude 52° 30'N
to the south by latitude 52° 00'N
to the west by the coast of Ireland
to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone: VIIe and VIIf HER/7EF.
France	500	
United Kingdom	500	
EC	1 000	
TAC	1 000	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone:	VIIg ( <sup>1</sup> ), VIIh ( <sup>1</sup> ), VIIj ( <sup>1</sup> ) and VIIk ( <sup>1</sup> ) HER/7G-K.
Germany	88		
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 496 ◄		
Ireland	▶ <u>M1</u> 7 659 ◀		
The Netherlands	▶ <u>M1</u> 498 ◀		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 11 ◀		
EC	8 752		
TAC	8 752	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

This zone is increased by the area bounded:
 to the north by latitude 52° 30'N,
 to the south by latitude 52° 00'N,
 to the west by the coast of Ireland,
 to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

•	chovy graulis encrasicolus		Zone:	VIII ANE/08.
Spain		0		
France		0		
EC		0		
TAC		0		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Anchovy Engraulis encrasicolus		Zone: IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 ANE/9/3411
Spain	3 826	
Portugal	4 174	
EC	8 000	
TAC	8 000	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	Skagerrak ( <sup>1</sup> ) COD/03AN.
Belgium	8		
Denmark	2 532		
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 54 ◄		
The Netherlands	16		
Sweden	443		
EC	3 053		
TAC	3 165		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(^1)\,$  Area as defined in Article 4(b) of this Regulation

Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone: Kattegat ( <sup>1</sup> ) COD/03AS.
Denmark	415	
Germany	9	
Sweden	249	
EC	673	
TAC	673	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9 applies.

Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone: IV; EC waters of IIa; that part of IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat COD/2A3AX4
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 592 ◄	
Denmark	3 761	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 2 289 ◀	
France	809	
The Netherlands	2 125	
Sweden	25	
United Kingdom	8 628	
EC	18 229	
Norway	3 766 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
TAC	21 995	<ul><li>Analytical TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

 $(^1)$  May be taken in EC waters. Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC

## Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the ICES zones specified

-		Norwegian waters of IV (COD/*04N-)		
		15 980		
Species:	Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62° N COD/04-N.
Sweden		382		
EC		382		
TAC		Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Cod Gadus morhua	Zone: VI; EC waters of Vb; EC and international waters of XII and XIV COD/561214
Belgium 1	
Germany 6	
France ► <u>M1</u> 74	<
Ireland 90	
United Kingdom ► <u>M1</u> 277	4
EC 448	
TAC 448	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

## Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the ICES zones specified

	VIa; EC waters of Vb (COD/*5BC6A)
Belgium	1
Germany	6
France	64
Ireland	90
United Kingdom	241
EC	402

Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone: VIIa COD/07A.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 29 ◄	
France	► <u>M1</u> 50 ◄	
Ireland	▶ <u>M1</u> 864 ◄	
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 5 ◀	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 417 ◄	
EC	1 365	
TAC	1 365	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone: VIIb-k, VIII, IX and X; EC waters of CECAP area 34.1.1 COD/7X7A34
Belgium	217	Analytical TAC
France	3 725	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Ireland	797	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Netherlands	31	Antele 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847790 applies.
United Kingdom	404	
EC	5 174	
TAC	5 174	

Species: Porbeagle Lamna nasus		Zone: EC and international waters of I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV POR/1-14CI
Denmark	30	
France	332	
Germany	6	
Ireland	8	
Portugal	26	
Spain	175	
Sweden	1	
United Kingdom	3	
EC	581	
TAC	Not relevant	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Megrims Lepidorhombus spp.		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV LEZ/2AC4-C
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 3 ◄	
Denmark	4	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> –5 ◄	
France	26	
The Netherlands	21	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 1 531 ◀	
EC	1 580	
TAC	1 580	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Megrims Lepidorhombus spp.		Zone:	VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV LEZ/561214
Spain	295		
France	1 148		
Ireland	336		
United Kingdom	813		
EC	2 592		
TAC	2 592		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Megrims Lepidorhombus spp.		Zone: VII LEZ/07.	
Belgium	494		
Spain	5 490		
France	6 663		
Ireland	3 029		
United Kingdom	2 624		
EC	18 300		
TAC	18 300	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 84 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 84 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No applies.	7/96

Species:	Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus</i> spp.		Zone:	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe LEZ/8ABDE.
Belgium		1		
Spain		► <u>M1</u> 1 306 ◄		
France		► <u>M1</u> 1 055 ◀		
EC		2 362		
TAC		2 362	Γ	
				Analytical TAC
				Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
				Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/ applies.
Species:	Megrims		Zone:	VIIIc, IX and X; EC waters of $\blacktriangleright$ C1 CECAF 3
	Lepidorhombus spp.			LEZ/8C3411
Spain		► <u>M1</u> 1 451 ◀		
France		► <u>M1</u> 73 ◀		
Portugal		44		
EC		1 568		
TAC		1 568	Γ	Analytical TAC
				Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
				Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/ applies.
Species:	Dab and flounder Limanda limanda and Pl	atichthys flesus	Zone:	EC waters of IIa and IV D/F/2AC4-C
Belgium		513	1	
Denmark		1 927		
Germany		2 890		
France		200		
The Neth	nerlands	11 654		
Sweden		6		
United K	ingdom	1 620		
EC		18 810		
		18 810	Г	
TAC				Precautionary TAC
TAC				Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
TAC				applies.
TAC				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 of
TAC				

Species: Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV ANF/2AC4-C
Belgium	401	
Denmark	884	
Germany	432	
France	82	
The Netherlands	303	
Sweden	10	
United Kingdom	9 233	
EC	11 345	
TAC	11 345	<ul><li>Precautionary TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

Species: Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone: Norwegian waters of IV ANF/4AB-N.
Belgium	48	
Denmark	1 236	
Germany	19	
The Netherlands	18	
United Kingdom	289	
EC	1 610	
TAC	Not relevant	<ul><li>Precautionary TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

Species: Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone: VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV ANF/561214
Belgium	185	
Germany	▶ <u>M1</u> 197 ◄	
Spain	198	
France	2 280	
Ireland	516	
The Netherlands	178	
United Kingdom	1 586	
EC	5 140	
TAC	5 140	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone:	VII ANF/07.
Belgium	$\blacktriangleright \underline{\mathbf{M1}} \ 2 \ 821 \blacktriangleleft (^1)$		
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 314 ◄ (¹)		
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 1 137 ◀ (¹)		
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 18 357 ◀ (¹)		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 2 351 ◀ (¹)		
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 347 ◄ (¹)		
United Kingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 5 597 ◀ (¹)		
EC	30 924 (1)		
TAC	30 924 (1)	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which up to 5 % may be fished in ICES zones VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe (ANF/\*8ABDE).

	Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone:	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe ANF/8ABDE.
Belgium		10		
Spain		► <b>M1</b> 1 327 ◄		
France		► <u>M1</u> 7 447 ◄		
EC		8 784		
TAC		8 784	Г	
		0 /04		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/ applies.
	Anglerfish Lophiidae		Zone:	VIIIc, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 ANF/8C3411
Spain		►M1 1 630 ◄		
France		► M1 5 ◄		
Portugal		► M1 307 ◄		
EC		1 942		
TAC		1 942		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9 applies.
Species:	Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Zone:	IIIa, EC waters of IIIb, IIIc and IIId HAD/3A/BCD
Belgium		12		
Denmark		2 080		
Germany		132		
The Nethe	rlands	2		
Sweden		246		
EC		2 472 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC		2 856		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 d not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 d not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9 applies.

## (1) Excluding an estimate of 264 tonnes of industrial by-catches.

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Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

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Species: Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Zone: IV; EC waters of IIa HAD/2AC4.
Belgium	279	
Denmark	1 920	
Germany	1 222	
France	2 129	
The Netherlands	209	
Sweden	193	
United Kingdom	31 664	
EC	37 616 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Norway	8 082	
TAC	46 444	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

(1) Excluding an estimate of 746 tonnes of industrial by-catches.

## Special conditions

Within the limits of the above-mentioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

Norwegian waters of IV (HAD/\*04N-) 28 535

EC

Species:	Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62° N HAD/04-N.
Sweden		707		
EC		707		
TAC		Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Zone:	EC and international wates of ICES zones VIb, XII and XIV HAD/6B1214
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 17 ◄		
Germany	▶ <u>M1</u> 20 ◄		
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 815 ◀		
Ireland	▶ <u>M1</u> 591 ◀		
United Kingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 5 940 ◄		
EC	7 383		
TAC	7 383		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Haddock Melanogrammus aegle	finus	Zone: EC waters of Vb and VIa HAD/5BC6A.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 9 ◄	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 11 ◄	
France	► <u>M1</u> 446 ◄	
Ireland	▶ <u>M1</u> 1 106 ◀	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 5 351 ◄	
EC	6 923	
TAC	6 923	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

Species: Haddock Melanogrammus aeglefinus		Zone: VII, VIII, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 HAD/7/3411
Belgium	129	
France	7 719	
Ireland	2 573	
United Kingdom	1 158	
EC	11 579	
TAC	11 579	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in zone:

	VIIa (HAD/*07A)
Belgium	20
France	90
Ireland	536
United Kingdom	592
EC	1 238

When reporting to the Commission the uptake of their quotas, Member States shall specify quantities taken in ICES zone VIIa. Landings of haddock caught in ICES zone VIIa shall be prohibited when the totality of such landings exceeds 1 238 tonnes.

Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone:	IIIa WHG/03A.
Denmark	232		
The Netherlands	1		
Sweden	25		
EC	258 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	1 050	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

(1) Excluding an estimate 773 tonnes of industrial by-catch.

Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone: IV; EC waters of IIa WHG/2AC4.
Belgium	367	· ·
Denmark	1 587	
Germany	413	
France	2 385	
The Netherlands	917	
Sweden	3	
United Kingdom	9 330	
EC	15 002 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Norway	1 785 (2)	
TAC	17 850	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Excluding an estimate of 1 063 tonnes of industrial by-catches.
 May be taken in EC waters. Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

## Special conditions

Within the limits of the above-mentioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the ICES zones specified:

Norwegian waters of IV (WHG/\*04N-)

10 884

EC

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Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone: VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV WHG/561214
Germany	5	
France	93	
Ireland	229	
United Kingdom	438	
EC	765	
TAC	765	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone: VIIa WHG/07A.
Belgium	1	
France	10	
Ireland	160	
The Netherlands	0	
United Kingdom	107	
EC	278	
TAC	278	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone: VIIb, VIIc, VIId, VIIe, VIIf, VIIg, VIIh and VIIk WHG/7X7A.
Belgium	195	
France	11 964	
Ireland	5 544	
The Netherlands	97	
United Kingdom	2 140	
EC	19 940	
TAC	19 940	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone:	VIII WHG/08.
Spain	1 440		
France	2 160		
EC	3 600		
TAC	3 600		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Whiting Merlangius merlangus		Zone: IX and X; EC waters of ► <u>C1</u> CECAF 34.1.1 ◄ WHG/9/3411
Portugal	653	
EC	653	
TAC	653	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Whiting and Pollack Merlangius merlangus and Pollachius pollachius	Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62° N W/P/04-N.
Sweden	190		
EC	190		
TAC	Not relevant	ſ	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does
			not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Hake Merluccius merlucciu	IS	Zone:	IIIa; EC waters of IIIb, IIIc and IIId HKE/3A/BCD
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 1 657 ◄		
Sweden	► <u>M1</u> 141 ◄		
EC	1 798		
TAC	1 798 ( <sup>1</sup> )		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Within an overall TAC of 54 000 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

Species: Hake Merluccius merluccius		Zone:	EC waters of IIa and IV HKE/2AC4-C
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 35 ◄		
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 1 211 ◀		
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 137 ◄		
France	► <u>M1</u> 254 ◄		
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 68 ◄		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 379 ◄		
EC	2 084		
TAC	2 084 (1)	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Within an overall TAC of 54 000 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

	Species: Hake Merluccius merluccius		Zone:	VI and VII; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV HKE/571214
	Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 281 ◄ (¹)		
▼ <u>M1</u>				
	Germany	-4		
▼ <u>B</u>				
	Spain	▶ <u>M1</u> 10 013 ◀		
	France	▶ <u>M1</u> 15 022 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> )		
	Ireland	▶ <u>M1</u> 1 847 ◀		
	The Netherlands	▶ <u>M1</u> 200 ◀ (¹)		
	United Kingdom	$\blacktriangleright \underline{\mathbf{M1}} \ 6 \ 020 \blacktriangleleft (^1)$		
	EC	33 379		
	TAC	33 379 ( <sup>2</sup> )		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(<sup>1</sup>) Transfers of this quota may be effected to EC waters of zones IIa and IV. However, such transfers must be notified in advance to the Commission.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe (HKE/*8ABDE)
Belgium	36
Spain	1 440
France	1 440
Ireland	180
The Netherlands	18
United Kingdom	810
EC	3 924

<sup>(2)</sup> Within an overall TAC of 54 000 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

Species: Hake Merluccius merlucciu	us	Zone: VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe HKE/8ABDE.
Belgium	$\blacktriangleright \underline{\mathbf{M1}} \ 10 \blacktriangleleft (^1)$	
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 6 892 ◄	
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 15 390 ◄	
The Netherlands	18 (1)	
EC	22 310	
TAC	22 310 (²)	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

<sup>(1)</sup> Transfers of this quota may be effected to Zones IV and EC waters of zone IIa. However, such transfers must be notified in advance to the Commission.

(2) Within an overall TAC of 54 000 tonnes for the northern stock of hake.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	VI and VII; EC waters of Vb; inter- national waters of XII and XIV (HKE/*57-14)
Belgium	2
Spain	1 800
France	3 240
The Netherlands	5
EC	5 047

Species:	Hake Merluccius merluccius	Zone:	VIIIc, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 HKE/8C3411
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 4 512 ◄		
France	► <u>M1</u> 458 ◄		
Portugal	► <u>M1</u> 2 040 ◄		
EC	7 010		
TAC	7 010		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Blue whiting Micromesistius poutassou		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV WHB/4AB-N.
Denmark		7 600		
United K	ingdom	400		
EC		8 000		
TAC		1 266 282		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Blue whiting Micromesistius poutassou		Zone:	EC and international waters of I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VI VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId, VIIIe, XII and XIV WHB/1X14
Denmark		▶ <u>M1</u> 29 226 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Germany		▶ <u>M1</u> 13 512 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Spain		22 711 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
France		▶ <u>M1</u> 21 488 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Ireland		▶ <u>M1</u> 24 151 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Lithuania	ı	162		
The Neth	nerlands	► M1 41 458 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Portugal		2 110 (1) (2)		
Sweden		▶ <u>M1</u> 6 681 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
United K	ingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 36 657 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
EC		198 156 (1) (2)		
Norway		108 000 (3) (4)		
Faroe Isla	ands	29 580 (5) (6)		
TAC		1 266 282		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

<sup>(1)</sup> Of which up to 65 % may be fished in Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen (WHB/\*NZJM1).

 <sup>(2)</sup> Of which up to 17,66 % may be fished in Farcese waters (WHB/\*05B-F).
 (3) May be fished in EC waters in zones II, IVa, VIa north of 56°30N, VIb and VII west of 12°W (WHB/\*8CX34) No more than 40 000 tonnes may be fished in zone IVa.

<sup>(4)</sup> Of which up to 500 tonnes may be lished in zone Iva.
(4) Of which up to 500 tonnes may consist of argentine (*Argentina* spp.).
(5) Catches of blue whiting may include unavoidable catches of argentine (*Argentina* spp.).
(6) May be fished in EC waters in zones II, IVa, V, VIa north of 56°30' N, VIb and VII west of 12° W. The catch in zone IVa shall be no more than 7 395 tonnes.

•	Blue whiting Micromesistius poutassou		Zone:	VIIIc, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 WHB/8C3411
Spain		▶ <u>M1</u> 30 057 ◀ (¹)		
Portugal		6 421 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC		36 478 (1)		
TAC		1 266 282		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which up to 65 % may be fished in Norwegian Exclusive Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen (WHB/\*NZJM2).

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Species: Blue whiting Micromesistius poutassou		Zone: EC waters of II, IVa, V, VI north of 56° 30' N and VII west of 12° W WHB/24A567
Norway	196 269 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	Analytical TAC
Faeroe Islands	31 000 (3) (4)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
TAC	1 266 282	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) To be counted against Norway's catch limits established under the Coastal States arrangement.

<sup>(2)</sup> The catch in zone IV shall be no more than 49 067 tonnes.

(3) To be counted against the catch limits of the Faeroe Islands established under the Coastal States arrangement.

(4) May also be fished in zone VIb. The catch in zone IV shall be no more than 7 750 tonnes.

Species: Lemon sole and witch Microstomus kitt and Glyptocephalus cynoglossus		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV L/W/2AC4-C
Belgium	368	
Denmark	1 013	
Germany	130	
France	277	
The Netherlands	843	
Sweden	11	
United Kingdom	4 151	
EC	6 793	
TAC	6 793	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: ► <u>C1</u> Bl Molva dy	ue ling <i>pterygia</i> ◀	Zone:	EC waters of IIa, IV, Vb, VI and VII BLI/2A47-C
EC	Not relevant ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Norway	150		
TAC	Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Specified in Regulation (EC) No 2015/2006

Species: ► <u>C1</u> Blue ling Molva dypterygia ◄		Zone: EC waters of VIa north of 56°30'N and VIb BLI/6AN6B.
Faroe Islands	200 (1)	·
TAC	Not relevant	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1)  $\blacktriangleright$  C1 By-catches of roundnose grenadier and black scabbard fish to be counted against this quota.

Species: Ling Molva molva		<b>Zone:</b> EC and international waters of I and II LIN/1/2.
Denmark	10	
Germany	10	
France	10	
United Kingdom	10	
Others (1)	5	
EC	45	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone: IIIa; EC waters of IIIb, IIIc and IIId LIN/03.
Belgium	7 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Denmark	57	
Germany	7 (1)	
Sweden	22	
United Kingdom	7 (1)	
EC	100	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(\ensuremath{^1})$  Quota may be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IIIa, IIIb, IIIc and IIId only.

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone: EC waters of IV LIN/04.
Belgium	18	
Denmark	286	
Germany	177	
France	159	
The Netherlands	6	
Sweden	12	
United Kingdom	2 196	
EC	2 856	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
		applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone:	EC and international waters of V LIN/05.
Belgium	9		
Denmark	6		
Germany	6		
France	6		
United Kingdom	6		
EC	34	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone: EC and international waters of VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII and XIV LIN/6X14.
Belgium	40	
Denmark	7	
Germany	147	
Spain	2 969	
France	3 166	
Ireland	793	
Portugal	7	
United Kingdom	3 645	
EC	10 776	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone: EC waters of IIa, IV, Vb, VI and VII LIN/2A47-C
EC	Not relevant	
Norway	5 638 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	
Faroe Islands	250 (3) (4)	
TAC	Not relevant	<ul><li>Anlytical TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

(1) Of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per ship, at any moment, is authorised in zones Vb, VI and VII. However, this (\*) Of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per snip, at any moment, is authorised in zones Vb, Vi and Vii. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in zones VI and VII shall not exceed 3 000 tonnes.
 (2) Including tusk. The quotas for Norway are ling 5 638 tonnes and tusk 3 350 tonnes and are interchangeable of up to 2 000 tonnes and may only be fished with long-lines in zones Vb, VI and VII.
 (3) ▶ C1 Including tusk. Only to be taken in zones VIb and VIa north of 56° 30′ N. ◄
 (4) Of which an incidental catch of other species of 20 % per ship, at any moment, is authorised in ICES zone VIa and VIb. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the hering on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species of 20 % per ship, at any moment, is authorised in ICES zone VIa and VIb. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the hering of the first and the hering and there hering and the hering and the hering and there hering and there hering and there hering and the hering and the hering and there hering and thering and there hering and there hering and there hering and th

this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in zone VI shall not exceed 75 tonnes.

Species: Ling Molva molva		Zone: Norwegian waters of IV LIN/4AB-N.
Belgium	6	
Denmark	747	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 20 ◄	
France	8	
The Netherlands	1	
United Kingdom	67	
EC	849	
TAC	Not relevant	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone: IIIa; EC waters of IIIb, IIIc and IIId NEP/3A/BCD
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 4 206 ◄	
Germany	11 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Sweden	▶ <u>M1</u> 1 405 ◀	
EC	5 622	
TAC	5 622	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(^{\rm i})$  Quota may be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IIIa, IIIb, IIIc and IIId only.

Species: Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV NEP/2AC4-C
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 1 461 ◄	
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 1 520 ◄	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 88 ◄	
France	► <u>M1</u> 44 ◄	
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 841 ◄	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 25 090 ◄	
EC	29 044	
TAC	29 044	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV NEP/4AB-N.
Denmark	1 183		
Germany	1		
UK	66		
EC	1 250		
TAC	Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does

not apply.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone:	VI; EC waters of Vb NEP/5BC6.
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 44 ◄		
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 179 ◀		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 307 ◄		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 21 533 ◀		
EC	22 063		
TAC	22 063	ſ	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
			applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone:	VII NEP/07.
Spain		► <u>M1</u> 1 659 ◄		
France		► <b>M1</b> 6 786 ◄		
Ireland		9 277		
United K	ingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 9 163 ◀		
EC		26 885		
TAC		26 885	Г	
				Analytical TAC
				Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
				Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Norway lobster		Zone:	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe
	Nephrops norvegicus			NEP/8ABDE.
Spain		► <u>M1</u> 265 ◀		
France		► <u>M1</u> 4 505 ◀		
EC		4 770		
TAC		4 770	Γ	
				Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
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Species:	Norway lobster		Zone:	VIIIc
~ F	Nephrops norvegicus			NEP/08C.
Spain		► <u>M1</u> 131 ◀		
France		► <u>M1</u> 8 ◄		
EC		139		
TAC		139	Г	Apply tigal TAC
				Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
				applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Norway lobster Nephrops norvegicus		Zone:	IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 NEP/9/3411
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 111 ◄		
Portugal	► <u>M1</u> 344 ◄		
EC	455		
TAC	455		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone:	IIIa PRA/03A.
Denmark	4 033		
Germany	-1		
Sweden	2 172		
EC	6 204		
TAC	11 620		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV PRA/2AC4-C
Denmark	2 960	
The Netherlands	28	
Sweden	119	
United Kingdom	877	
EC	3 984	
TAC	3 984	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone: Norwegian PRA/04-N	waters south of 62° N
Denmark	500		
Sweden	164 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	664		
TAC	Not relevant	Article 3 not apply Article 4 not apply	of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does

(1) By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe shall be counted against the quotas for these species.

Species: 'Penaeus' shrimps Penaeus spp.s		Zone:	French Guyana waters ( <sup>1</sup> ) PEN/FGU.
France	4 108 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
EC	4 108 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
TAC	4 108 (²)		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

(<sup>1</sup>) Area as defined in Article 16(3) of this Regulation
 (<sup>2</sup>) Fishing for shrimps *Penaeus subtilis* and *Penaeus brasiliensis* is prohibited in waters less than 30 m deep.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone: Skagerrak ( <sup>1</sup> ) PLE/03AN.
Belgium	56	
Denmark	7 280	
Germany	37	
The Netherlands	1 400	
Sweden	390	
EC	9 163	
TAC	9 350	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	Kattegat ( <sup>1</sup> ) PLE/03AS.
Denmark	2 081		
Germany	23		
Sweden	234		
EC	2 338		
TAC	2 338		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

#### $(^1)$ Area as defined in Article 4(c) of this Regulation

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	IV; EC waters of IIa; that part of IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and the Kattegat PLE/2A3AX4
Belgium	2 946		
Denmark	9 575		
Germany	2 762		
France	552		
The Netherlands	18 414		
United Kingdom	13 626		
EC	47 875		
Norway	1 105		
TAC	49 000		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

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Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV PLE/561214
France	22		
Ireland	287		
United Kingdom	477		
EC	786		
TAC	786		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	VIIa PLE/07A.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 126 ◄		
France	► <u>M1</u> 23 ◄		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 1 260 ◄		
The Netherlands	14		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 629 ◄		
EC	2 052		
TAC	2 052		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	VIIb and VIIc PLE/7BC.
France	22		
Ireland	88		
EC	110		
TAC	110		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone: VIId and VIIe PLE/7DE.
Belgium	826	
France	2 755	
United Kingdom	1 469	
EC	5 050	
TAC	5 050	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	VIIf and VIIg PLE/7FG.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 100 ◄		
France	► <u>M1</u> 143 ◄		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 203 ◄		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 80 ◄		
EC	526		
TAC	526	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone: VIIh, VIIj and VIIk PLE/7HJK.
Belgium	19	
France	38	
Ireland	132	
The Netherlands	76	
United Kingdom	38	
EC	303	
TAC	303	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Plaice Pleuronectes platessa		Zone:	VIII, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 PLE/8/3411
Spain	75		
France	298		
Portugal	75		
EC	448		
TAC	448		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

Species: Pollack Pollachius pollachius		Zone: VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV POL/561214
Spain	6	
France	216	
Ireland	63	
United Kingdom	165	
EC	450	
TAC	450	Precautionary TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does

not apply.

Species: Pollack Pollachius pollachius		Zone: VII POL/07.
Belgium	476	
Spain	29	
France	10 959	
Ireland	1 168	
United Kingdom	2 668	
EC	15 300	
TAC	15 300	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Pollack Pollachius pollachius	Zone:	VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId andVIIIe POL/8ABDE.
Spain	286		
France	1 394		
EC	1 680		
TAC	1 680		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
			applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Pollack Pollachius pollachius		Zone:	VIIIc POL/08C.
Spain	236		
France	26		
EC	262		
TAC	262		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Pollack Pollachius pollachius		Zone: IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 POL/9/3411
Spain	278	
Portugal	10	
EC	288	
TAC	288	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone: IIIa and IV; EC waters of IIa, IIIb, IIIc and IIId POK/2A34.
Belgium	47	
Denmark	5 636	
Germany	14 231	
France	33 491	
The Netherlands	142	
Sweden	774	
United Kingdom	10 911	
EC	65 232	
Norway	70 668 (1)	
TAC	135 900	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) May only be taken in IV (EC waters) and IIIa. Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

Species: Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	VI; EC waters of Vb; EC and international waters of XII and XIV POK/561214
Germany	906		
France	9 003		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 534 ◄		
United Kingdom	3 708		
EC	14 151		
TAC	14 151		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	Norwegian waters south of 62°N POK/04-N.
Sweden		880		
EC		880		
TAC		Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	VII, VIII, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 POK/7/3411
Belgium		10	•	
France		2 132		
Ireland		1 066		
United K	Lingdom	582		
EC		3 790		
TAC		3 790		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does

Species: Turbot and brill Psetta maxima and Scopthalmus rhombus		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV T/B/2AC4-C
Belgium	386	
Denmark	825	
Germany	211	
France	99	
The Netherlands	2 923	
Sweden	6	
United Kingdom	813	
EC	5 263	
TAC	5 263	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Skates and rays Rajidae		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV SRX/2AC4-C
Belgium	277 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	Analytical TAC
Denmark	$11 (^{1}) (^{2})$	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96
Germany	14 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	applies.
France	43 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
The Netherlands	236 (1) (2)	Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
United Kingdom	1 062 (1) (2)	
EC	1 643 (1)	
TAC	1 643	

(1) Catches of Cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/2AC4-C), Thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/2AC4-C), Blonde ray (*Raja brachyuran*) (RJH/2AC4-C), Spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/2AC4-C), Starry ray (*Amblyraja radiate*) (RJR/2AC4-C) and Common skate (*Dipturus batis*) (RJB/2AC4-C) shall be reported separately.
 (2) By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 25 % by live weight of the catch retained on board. This condition applies only to vessels over 15 m length overall.

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	Species:	Greenland Halibut Reinhardtius hippoglossoides		Zone:	EC waters of IIa and IV; EC and international waters of VI GHL/2A-C46
	Denmark		6		
	Germany		10		
	Estonia		6		
	Spain		6		
	France		92		
	Ireland		6		
	Lithuania		6		
	Poland		6		
▼ <u>M1</u>					
	Portugal		-18		
▼ <u>B</u>					
	United K	ingdom	359		
	EC		829 (1)		
	TAC		Not relevant		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does
					not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

(<sup>1</sup>) Of which 350 tonnes are allocated to Norway and are to be taken in the EC waters of ICES zones IIa and VI. In ICES zone VI this quantity may only be fished with long-lines.

applies.

### ▼<u>C1</u>

Species: Mackerel Scomber scombrus		Zone: IIIa and IV; EC waters of IIa, IIIb, IIIc and IIId MAC/2A34.
Belgium	157	
Denmark	12 699	
Germany	164	
France	495	
The Netherlands	498	
Sweden	3 674 (1) (2)	
United Kingdom	462	
EC	18 149 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Norway	9 300 ( <sup>3</sup> )	
TAC	385 366 (4)	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(3) To be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC (access quota). This quota may be fished in zone IVa only, except for 3 000 tonnes that may be fished in zone IIIa.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the ICES zones specified:

	IIIa MAC/*03A	IIIa and IVbc MAC/*3A4BC	IVb MAC/*04B	IVc MAC/*04C	VI; international waters of IIa from 1 January to 31 March 2008 MAC/*2A6
Denmark		4 130			4 020
France		490			
The Netherlands		490			
Sweden			390	10	
United Kingdom		490			
Norway	3 000				

 <sup>(</sup>¹) Including 242 tonnes to be taken in Norwegian waters south of 62°N ►C1 (MAC/\*04N-) ◄.
 (²) When fishing in Norwegian waters, by-catches of cod, haddock, Pollack and whiting and saithe shall be counted against the quotas for these species.

<sup>(4)</sup> TAC agreed by the EC, Norway and Faroe Islands for the northern area.

Species: Mackerel Scomber scombrus		Zone: VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC waters of Vb; international waters of IIa, XII and XIV MAC/2CX14-
Denmark	-8	
Deminark	-0	
Germany	14 893	
Spain	20	
Estonia	124	
France	9 930	
Ireland	49 643	
Latvia	91	
Lithuania	91	
The Netherlands	21 719	
Poland	1 049	
United Kingdom	136 522	
EC	234 074	
Norway	9 300 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Faroe Islands	3 605 (2)	
ГАС	385 366 ( <sup>3</sup> )	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified and only during the periods 1 January to 15 February and 1 October to 31 December.

	EC waters of IVa MAC/*04A-C
Germany	4 494
France	2 996
Ireland	14 981
The Netherlands	6 554
United Kingdom	41 200
EC	70 225

 <sup>(1)</sup> May be fished only in ICES zones IIa, VIa (north of 56°30'N), IVa, VIId, VIIe, VIIf and VIIh.
 (2) May be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IVa north of 59°N from 1 January to 15 February and from 1 October to 31 December. A quantity of 3 001 tonnes of the Faroe Islands' own quota may be fished in ICES zone VIa north of 56°30'N throughout the year.
 (3) TAC agreed by the EC, Norway and Faroe Islands for the northern area.

Species:	Mackerel Scomber scombrus	Zone:	VIIIc, IX and X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 MAC/8C3411
Spain	22 256	(1)	
France	148	(1)	
Portugal	4 601	(1)	
EC	27 005		
TAC	27 005		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(<sup>1</sup>) Quantities subject to exchanges with other Member States may be taken in ICES zones VIIIa, VIIIb and VIIId (MAC/\*8ABD). However, the quantities provided by Spain, Portugal or France for exchange purposes and to be taken in VIIIa, VIIIb and VIIId shall not exceed 25 % of the quotas of the donor Member State.

#### Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the ICES zone specified:

	VIIIb (MAC/*08B.)	
Spain	1 869	
France	12	
Portugal	386	

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone: IIIa, EC waters of IIIb, IIIc and IIId SOL/3A/BCD
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 872 ◄	
Germany	▶ <u>M1</u> 50 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> )	
The Netherlands	76 (1)	
Sweden	► <u>M1</u> 32 ◄	
EC	1 030	
TAC	1 030	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(^{\rm l})$  Quota may be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IIIa, IIIb, IIIc and IIId only.

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone: EC waters of II and IV SOL/24.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 1 209 ◄	· ·
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 554 ◄	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 920 ◄	
France	► <u>M1</u> 275 ◀	
The Netherlands	▶ <u>M1</u> 10 752 ◀	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 686 ◄	
EC	14 396	
Norway	90 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
TAC	14 486	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $(^{\rm l})~$  May be fished only in zone IV.

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone:	VI; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV SOL/561214
Ireland	54		
United Kingdom	14		
EC	68		
TAC	68		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Common sole Solea solea		Zone:	VIIa SOL/07A.
Belgium		► <u>M1</u> 386 ◄		
France		► <u>M1</u> 5 ◄		
Ireland		► <u>M1</u> 86 ◄		
The Netl	herlands	103		
United K	Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 166 ◄		
EC		746		
TAC		746		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Common sole		Zone:	Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Common sole Solea solea		Zone:	applies.
-		10	Zone:	applies. VIIb and VIIc
France		10 49	Zone:	applies. VIIb and VIIc
Species: France Ireland EC			Zone:	applies. VIIb and VIIc

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone:	VIId SOL/07D.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 1 960 ◄		
France	► <u>M1</u> 3 919 ◄		
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 1 400 ◄		
EC	7 279		
TAC	7 279	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone:	VIIe SOL/07E.
Belgium	27		
France	288		
United Kingdom	450		
EC	765		
TAC	765		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone: VIIf and VIIg SOL/7FG.
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 654 ◄	
France	► <u>M1</u> 70 ◄	
Ireland	30	
United Kingdom	► <u>M1</u> 298 ◄	
EC	1 052	
TAC	1 052	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone: VIIh, VIIj, and VIIk SOL/7HJK.
Belgium	54	
France	108	
Ireland	293	
The Netherlands	87	
United Kingdom	108	
EC	650	
TAC	650	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Common sole Solea solea		Zone: VIIIa and b SOL/8AB.	
Belgium	► <u>M1</u> 49 ◄		
Spain	9		
France	► <u>M1</u> 4 225 ◄		
The Netherlands	286		
EC	4 569		
TAC	4 569	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 8 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 8 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No applies.	47/96

Species: Sole Solea spp.		Zone:	VIIIc, VIIId, VIIIe, IX, X; EC waters of CECAF 34.1.1 SOX/8CDE34
Spain	458		
Portugal	758		
EC	1 216		
TAC	1 216		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Sprat Sprattus sprattus		Zone:	IIIa SPR/03A.
Denmark		34 843	•	
Germany		73		
Sweden		13 184		
EC		48 100		
TAC		52 000		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Sprat Sprattus sprattus		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV SPR/2AC4-C
Belgium	1 729	
Denmark	136 826	
Germany	1 729	
France	1 729	
The Netherlands	1 729	
Sweden	1 330 (1)	
United Kingdom	5 705	
EC	150 777	
Norway	10 063 ( <sup>2</sup> )	
Faeroe Islands	9 160 ( <sup>3</sup> ) ( <sup>4</sup> ) ( <sup>5</sup> )	
TAC	170 000	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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(<sup>1</sup>) Including sand eel.
(<sup>2</sup>) May only be fished in EC waters of ICES zone IV.
(<sup>3</sup>) This quantity may be fished in ICES zone IV and zone VIa North of 56°30'N. Any by-catch of blue whiting shall be counted against the blue whiting quota established for ICES zones VIa, VIb and VII.
(<sup>4</sup>) 1 832 tonnes can be caught as herring in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes less than 32 mm. If the quota of 1 832 tonnes of herring is exhausted then all fisheries, corresponding to 2 % of the effort deployed by Member States and up to a maximum of 2 500 tonnes can be caught as and eel

2 500 tonnes can be caught as sand eel.

Species: Sprat Sprattus sprattus		Zone: VIId and VIIe SPR/7DE.
Belgium	31	
Denmark	1 997	
Germany	31	
France	430	
The Netherlands	430	
United Kingdom	3 226	
EC	6 144	
TAC	6 144	Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Spurdog/dogfish Squalus acanthias		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV DGS/2AC4-C
Belgium	10 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Denmark	57 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Germany	10 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
France	18 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
The Netherlands	15 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Sweden	1 (1)	
United Kingdom	470 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	581 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Norway	50 ( <sup>2</sup> )	
TAC	631	Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 5 % by live weight of the catch retained on board.

(2) Including catches taken with long-lines of tope shark (Galeorhinus galeus), kitefin shark (Dalatias licha), bird beak dogfish (Deania calceus), leafscale gulper shark (Centrophorus squamosus), greater lantern shark (Etmopterus princeps), smooth lantern shark (Etmopterus spinax) and Portuguese dogfish (Centroscymnus coelolepis). This quota may only be taken in zones IV, VI and VII.

Species: Spurdog/dogfish Squalus acanthias		Zone: EC and international waters of I, V, VI, VII, VIII, XII and XIV DGS/15X14
Belgium	145 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Germany	31 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Spain	75 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
France	618 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Ireland	<b>390</b> ( <sup>1</sup> )	
The Netherlands	2 (1)	
Portugal	3 (1)	
United Kingdom	739 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	2 004	
TAC	2 004	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

(1) By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 5 % by live weight of the catch retained onboard.

Species: Horse mackerel Trachurus spp.		Zone: EC waters of IIa and IV JAX/2AC4-C
Belgium	58	
Denmark	25 208	
Germany	1 901	
France	40	
Ireland	1 463	
The Netherlands	4 089	
Sweden	750	
United Kingdom	3 721	
EC	37 230	
Norway	1 600 (1)	
Faroe Islands	479 ( <sup>2</sup> )	
TAC	39 309	Analytical TAC
		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

(1) May only be fished in EC waters of ICES zone IV.
(2) Within a total quota of 2 550 tonnes for ICES zones IV, VIa North of 56°30'N, VIIe, VIIf and VIIh.

Species: Horse mackerel Trachurus spp.		Zone:	VI, VII and VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC water of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV JAX/578/14
Denmark	► <u>M1</u> 16 574 ◄	•	
Germany	► <u>M1</u> 12 849 ◄		
Spain	▶ <u>M1</u> 16 795 ◀		
France	▶ <u>M1</u> 10 231 ◀		
Ireland	► <u>M1</u> 43 076 ◄		
Lithuania	644		
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 63 375 ◄		
Portugal	1 610		
United Kingdom	▶ <u>M1</u> 17 661 ◀		
EC	182 815		
Faroe Islands	2 080 (1)		
TAC	184 895	Γ	Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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(1) Within a total quota of 2 550 tonnes for ICES zone IV, VIa North of 56°30'N, VIIe, VIIf and VIIh.

•	r mackerel <i>urus</i> spp.	Zone:	VIIIc and IX JAX/8C9.
Spain	▶ <u>M1</u> 31 093 $\triangleleft$ ( <sup>1</sup> )		
France	► <u>M1</u> 435 ◀ (¹)		
Portugal	► <u>M1</u> 28 792 ◀ (¹)		
EC	60 320		
TAC	60 320		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which no more than 5 % may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm, notwithstanding Article 19 of Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98. For the purposes of the control of this quantity, the weight of the landings shall be affected by a coefficient of 1,2.

Species: Horse mackerel Trachurus spp.		Zone:	X; EC waters of CECAF ( <sup>1</sup> ) JAX/X34PRT
Portugal	3 200 (2)		
EC	3 200		
TAC	3 200		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Waters adjacent to the Azores

Of which no more than 5 % may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm, notwithstanding Article 19 of Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98. For the purposes of the control of this quantity, the weight of the landings shall be affected by a coefficient of 1,2. (2)

Species: Horse mackerel Trachurus spp.		Zone:	EC waters of CECAF ( <sup>1</sup> ) JAX/341PRT
Portugal	1 280 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
EC	1 280		
TAC	1 280		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

 $\binom{1}{(2)}$ Waters adjacent to Madeira.

Of which no more than 5 % may consist of horse mackerel between 12 and 14 cm, notwithstanding Article 19 of Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98. For the purposes of the control of this quantity, the weight of the landings shall be affected by a coefficient of 1,2.

Species: Horse mackerel Trachurus spp.		Zone:	EC waters of CECAF ( <sup>1</sup> ) JAX/341SPN
Spain	1 280		
EC	1 280		
TAC	1 280		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Waters adjacent to the Canary Islands.

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Species: Norway pout Trisopterus esmarki		Zone: IIIa; EC waters of IIa and IV NOP/2A3A4.
Denmark	109 898	
Germany	21 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
The Netherlands	81 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	110 000	
Norway	1 000 (2)	
TAC	Not relevant	<ul><li>Analytical TAC</li><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

(1) Quota may be fished in EC waters of ICES zones IIa, IIIa and IV only.
 (2) This quota may be fished in Division VIa, north of 56°30'N.

Species: Norway pout Trisopterus esmarki		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV NOP/4AB-N.
Denmark	4 750 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
United Kingdom	250 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	5 000 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Including inextricably mixed horse mackerel.

Species: Industrial fish		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV I/F/4AB-N.
Sweden	800 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
EC	800		
TAC	Not relevant		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack and whiting and saithe to be counted against the quotas for these species.
 Of which no more than 400 tonnes of horse mackerel.

Species: Combined quota		Zone:	EC waters of Vb, VI and VII R/G/5B67-C
EC	Not relevant		
Norway	140 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Taken with long-lines only, including rat tails, Mora mora and greater fork beard.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

applies.

Species: Other species		Zone:	Norwegian waters of IV OTH/4AB-N.
Belgium	27		
Denmark	2 500		
Germany	282		
France	116		
The Netherlands	200		
Sweden	Not relevant (1)		
United Kingdom	1 875		
EC	5 000 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.

Quota allocated by Norway to Sweden of 'other species' at a traditional level.
 Including fisheries not specifically mentioned, exceptions may be introduced after consultations as appropriate.

Species: Other species		Zone:	EC waters of IIa, IV and VIa north of 56°30'N OTH/2A46AN
EC	Not relevant		
Norway	2 720 (1) (2)		
Faroe Islands	150 (3)		
TAC	Not relevant		

Limited to ICES zones IIa and IV.
 Including fisheries not specifically mentioned, exceptions may be introduced after consultations as appropriate.
 Limited to by-catches of whitefish in ICES zones IV and VIa.

## ANNEX IB

## NORTH EAST ATLANTIC AND GREENLAND

## ICES zones I, II, V, XII, XIV and Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and1

Species:	Snow crab Chionoecetes spp.	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1 PCR/N01GRN
Ireland	62		
Spain	437		
EC	500		
TAC	Not relevant		Precautionary TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Herring Clupea harengus		Zone:	EC and international waters of I and II HER/1/2.
Belgium	34 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Denmark	33 859 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Germany	5 930 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Spain	112 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
France	1 461 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
reland	8 765 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
The Netherlands	► <u>M1</u> 11 642 ◄ ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Poland	► <u>M1</u> 1 618 ◀ (¹)		
Portugal	112 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Finland	524 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Sweden	12 547 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
United Kingdom	21 647 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	98 251		
Norway	88 939 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Faroe Islands	12 848 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
ГАС	1 518 000		Analytical TAC
			Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) When reporting catches to the European Commission the quantities fished in each of the following areas shall also be reported: NEAFC Regulatory Area, EC waters, Faroese waters, Norwegian waters, the fishery zone around Jan Mayen, the fishery protection zone around Svalbard.

applies.

Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

<sup>(2)</sup> Catches taken against this quota are to be deducted from Norway's and the Faroe Islands' share of the TAC (access quota). This quota may be fished in EC waters north of 62°N.

## Special conditions

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen (HER/*2AJMN)
Belgium	34 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Denmark	33 859 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Germany	5 930 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Spain	112 ( <sup>1</sup> )
France	1 461 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Ireland	8 765 ( <sup>1</sup> )
The Netherlands	12 117 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Poland	1 714 (1)
Portugal	112 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Finland	524 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Sweden	12 547 ( <sup>1</sup> )
United Kingdom	21 647 ( <sup>1</sup> )

(<sup>1</sup>) When the sum of the catches of all Member States have reached 88 939 tonnes no further catches shall be permitted.

	Faroese waters of II and Vb, north of 61° (HER/*25B-F)
Belgium	4 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Denmark	4 402 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Germany	771 (1)
Spain	15 ( <sup>1</sup> )
France	190 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Ireland	1 140 (1)
The Netherlands	1 575 (1)
Poland	223 (1)
Portugal	15 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Finland	68 ( <sup>1</sup> )
Sweden	1 631 (1)
United Kingdom	2 814 (1)

(<sup>1</sup>) When the sum of the catches of all Member States have reached 12 848 tonnes no further catches shall be permitted.

Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II COD/1N2AB.
Denmark	-11		
Germany	2 061		
Greece	255		
Spain	2 299		
Ireland	255		
France	1 892		
Portugal	2 299		
United Kingdom	7 995		
EC	17 045		
TAC	430 000		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1; Greenland v of V and XIV COD/N01514
Germany	2 863		
United Kingdom	637		
EC	3 500		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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Species: Cod Gadus morhua		Zone: I and IIb COD/1/2B.
Germany	2 843	
Spain	► <u>M1</u> 7 341 ◄	
Ireland	-45	
France	1 213	
Poland	1 333	
Portugal	► <u>M1</u> 1 541 ◀	
United Kingdom	1 821	
All Member States	100 (1)	
EC	16 147 (²)	
TAC	430 000	<ul><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

(1) Except Germany, Spain, France, Poland, Portugal and the United Kingdom
 (2) The allocation of the share of the cod stock available to the Community in the zone Spitzbergen and Bear Island is entirely without prejudice to the rights and obligations deriving from the 1920 Treaty of Paris.

Species: Cod and h Gadus more	addock 2 <i>'hua</i> and <i>Melanogrammus</i> aeglefinus	Zone:	Faroese waters of Vb C/H/05B-F.
Germany	10		
France	60		
United Kingdom	430		
EC	500		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Atlantic halibut Hippoglossus hippoglossus		Zone:	Greenland waters of V and XIV HAL/514GRN
Germany		-3		
Portugal		1 000 (1)		
EC		1 097 (2)		
TAC		Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply.
				Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply.
				Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) To be fished by no more than 6 Community demersal long-liners targeting Atlantic halibut. Catches of associated species to be counted against this quota. Vessels may be required to have a scientific observer on board.
 (2) Of which 100 tonnes to be fished only with long-lines, are allocated to Norway.

Species:	Atlantic halibut Hippoglossus hippoglossus	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1 HAL/N01GRN
EC	100 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		

(1) Of which 100 tonnes to be fished with long-lines, are allocated to Norway.

Species:	Capelin Mallotus villosus		Zone:	IIb CAP/02B.
EC		0		
TAC		0		

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Species: Capelan Mallotus villosus		Zone:	Greenland waters of zones V and XIV CAP/514GRN
All Member States	0		
EC	23 716 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		

Of which 23 716 tonnes are allocated to Iceland.
 To be fished before 30 April 2008.

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Species: Haddock Melanogrammus au	eglefinus	Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II HAD/1N2AB.
Germany	535		
Spain	-5		
France	322		
Portugal	-369		
United Kingdom	1 643		
EC	2 126		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

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Species: Blue whiting Micromesistius poutassou		Zone: Faroese waters WHB/2X12-F
Denmark	5 385	
Germany	367	
France	588	
The Netherlands	514	
United Kingdom	5 385	
EC	12 240	
TAC	Not relevant ( <sup>1</sup> )	<ul><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.</li></ul>

 $(^{1})\;\; TAC$  agreed by the EC, Færoe Islands, Norway and Iceland.

Species: Ling and ► <u>C1</u> Blue ling ◄ Molva molva and ► <u>C1</u> Molva dypterygia ◄		Zone:	Faroese waters of Vb B/L/05B-F.
Germany	898		
France	1 992		
United Kingdom	175		
EC	3 065 (1)		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) By-catch of maximum of 1 080 tonnes of roundnose grenadier and black scabbard fish to be counted against this quota.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone:	Greenland waters of V and XIV PRA/514GRN
Denmark	1 300		
France	1 300		
EC	7 000 (1)		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which 3 250 tonnes are allocated to Norway and 1 150 tonnes to the Faroe Islands.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1 PRA/N01GRN
Denmark	2 000		
France	2 000		
EC	4 000		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II POK/1N2AB.
Denmark	-1		
Germany	3 066		
Spain	-3		
France	493		
Portugal	-391		
United Kingdom	273		
EC	3 437		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 do not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9 applies.
Species: Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	International waters of I and II ► <u>C1</u> POK/1/2INT ◀
EC	0		
ТАС	Not relevant		
Species: Saithe Pollachius virens		Zone:	Faroese waters of Vb POK/05B-F.
Belgium	49		
Germany	301		
France	1 463		
The Netherlands	49		
United Kingdom	563		
	2 425		
EC			

Species:	Greenland halibut Reinhardtius hippoglossoides		Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II GHL/1N2AB.
Germany		25		
United K	ingdom	25		
EC		50		
TAC		Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species:	Greenland halibut Reinhardtius hippoglossoides		Zone:	International waters of I and II GHL/1/2INT
EC		0	<u>.</u>	
TAC		Not relevant		
Species:	Greenland halibut Reinhardtius hippoglossoides		Zone:	Greenland waters of V and XIV GHL/514GRN
Germany		6 271		
Poland		-11		
United K	ingdom	330		
EC		7 489 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC		Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96

(1) Of which 824 tonnes are allocated to Norway and 75 tonnes are allocated to the Faroe Islands.

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Species:	Greenland halibut Reinhardtius hippoglossoides	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1 GHL/N01GRN
Germany	1 550		
EC	2 500 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Of which 800 tonnes are allocated to Norway and 150 tonnes are allocated to the Faroe Islands.

Species: Mackerel Scomber scombrus		Zone: Norwegian waters of IIa MAC/02A-N.
Denmark	9 300 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	9 300 (1)	
ГАС	385 366 (2)	<ul><li>Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.</li><li>Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96</li></ul>

Species: Mackerel Scomber scombrus		Zone: Faroese waters of Vb MAC/05B-F.
Denmark	3 001 (1)	
EC	3 001 (1)	
TAC	385 366 (2)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

May be fished in EC waters of IVa (MAC/\*04A.).
 TAC agreed by the EC, Norway and the Faroe Islands for the northern area.

Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone: EC and international waters of V; international water of XII and XIV RED/51214.
Estonia	210 (1)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply
Germany	4 266 ( <sup>1</sup> )	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply
Spain	749 ( <sup>1</sup> )	Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
France	398 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Ireland	1 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Latvia	76 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Netherlands	2 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Poland	384 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Portugal	896 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
United Kingdom	10 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	6 992 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
ГАС	46 000	

(<sup>1</sup>) No more than 65 % of the quota can be taken North of 59° N and East of 36° W during the period from 1 April to 15 July 2008. No more than 30 % of the catch limits can be taken North of 59° N and East of 36° W during the period 1 April to 10 May 2008.

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Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II RED/1N2AB.
Germany	766 (1)		
Spain	95 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
France	84 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Portugal	405 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
United Kingdom	150 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	1 500 (1)		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Only as by-catch.

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Species:	Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone:	International waters of I and II ► <u>C1</u> RED/1/2INT ◀
EC		Not relevant (1)		
TAC		14 500		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) The fishery will only take place within the period 1 September to 15 November 2008. The fishery will be closed when the TAC is fully utilised by NEAFC Contracting Parties.

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Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone: Greenland waters of V and XIV RED/514GRN
Germany	4 248	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
France	22	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
United Kingdom	30	Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
EC	8 000 (1) (2)	
TAC	Not relevant	

(<sup>1</sup>) May only be fished by pelagic trawl. May be fished East or West. The quota may be taken in the NEAFC Regulatory Area on the condition that Greenlandic reporting conditions are fulfilled.

(2) 3 500 tonnes to be fished with pelagic trawl are allocated to Norway and 200 tonnes are allocated to the Faeroe Islands.

Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone: Icelandic waters of Va RED/05A-IS
Belgium	100 (1) (2)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
Germany	1 690 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> ) 50 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
France		
United Kingdom	1 160 (1) (2)	
EC	3 000 (1) (2)	
TAC	Not relevant	

Including unavoidable by-catches (by-catches of cod not permitted).
 To be fished between July and December.

Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone:	Faroese waters Vb RED/05B-F.
Belgium	11		
Germany	1 473		
France	99		
United Kingdom	17		
EC	1 600		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.
Species: By-catches		Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 0 and 1 XBC/N01GRN
EC	2 300 (1) (2)	·	
ГАС	Not relevant		

(<sup>1</sup>) By-catches are defined as any catches of species not covered by the vessel's target species indicated on the license. May be fished East or West.

 $(^2)\,$  Of which 120 tonnes of roundnose grenadier are allocated to Norway.

Sp	<b>Decies:</b> Other species ( <sup>1</sup> )		Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II OTH/1N2AB.
<u>1</u> De	enmark	-15		
Ge	ermany	117 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Fra	ance	47 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Un	nited Kingdom	186 (1)		
EC	C	335 (1)		
TA	AC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Only as by-catch.

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<b>Species:</b> Other species ( <sup>1</sup> )		Zone: Faroese waters of Vb OTH/05B-F.
Germany	305	
France	275	
United Kingdom	180	
EC	760	
TAC	Not relevant	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 doe not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Excluding fish species of no commercial value.

Species: Flatfish		Zone:	Faroese waters of Vb FLX/05B-F.
Germany	54		
France	42		
United Kingdom	204		
EC	300		
TAC	Not relevant		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
			Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

## ANNEX IC

## NORTH WEST ATLANTIC

#### Area of NAFO

All TACs and associate conditions are adopted in the framework of NAFO.

Species:	Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	NAFO 2J3KL COD/N2J3KL
EC		0 (1)		
TAC		0 (1)		

(<sup>1</sup>) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species:	Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	NAFO 3NO COD/N3NO.
EC		0 (1)		
TAC		0 (1)		

 $(^1)$  There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species:	Cod Gadus morhua		Zone:	NAFO 3M COD/N3M.
EC		0 (1)		
TAC		0 (1)		

(1) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species:	Witch flounder Glyptocephalus cynoglossus		Zone:	NAFO 2J3KL WIT/N2J3KL
EC		0 (1)		
TAC		0 (1)		

(1) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species:	Witch flounder Glyptocephalus cynoglossus		Zone:	NAFO 3NO WIT/N3NO.
EC	0 (1)	)		
TAC	0 (1)	)		

There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007. (1)

Species:	American plaice Hippoglossoides platessoides		Zone:	NAFO 3M PLA/N3M.
EC	0 (	(1)		
TAC	0 (	(1)		

There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007. (1)

Species: American plaice Hippoglossoides platessoides		Zone:	NAFO 3LNO ▶ <u>C1</u> PLA/N3LNO ◀
EC	0 (1)		
TAC	0 (1)		

(1) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species: Short fin squid Illex illecebrosus		Zone: NAFO sub-zones 3 and 4 SQI/N34.
Estonia	128 (1)	
Latvia	128 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Lithuania	128 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
Poland	227 ( <sup>1</sup> )	
EC	(1) (2)	
TAC	34 000	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/9

applies.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) To be fished between 1 July and 31 December.
(<sup>2</sup>) No specified Community share, an amount of 29 467 tonnes is available to Canada and the EC Member States except Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.

Species:	Yellowtail flounder Limanda ferruginea	Zone:	NAFO 3LNO YEL/N3LNO.
EC	0 (1) (2)		
TAC	15 500		

(1) Despite having access to a shared quota of 79 tonnes for the Community, it is decided to set this amount to 0. There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

(2) Catches taken by vessels under this quota shall be reported to the Flag Member State and forwarded to the Executive Secretary of NAFO via the Commission at 48 hour intervals.

Species: Capelin Mallotus villosus		Zone:	NAFO 3NO CAP/N3NO.
EC	0 (1)		
TAC	0 (1)		

(<sup>1</sup>) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species: Northern prawn Pandalus borealis		Zone:	NAFO 3L ( <sup>1</sup> ) PRA/N3L.
Estonia	278 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Latvia	278 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Lithuania	278 ( <sup>2</sup> )		
Poland	► <u>M1</u> 277 ◀ (²)		
EC	278 ( <sup>2</sup> ) ( <sup>3</sup> )		
TAC	25 000		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) Not including the box bounded by the following coordinates:

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	47°20′0	46°40′0
2	47°20′0	46°30′0
3	46°00′0	46°30′0
4	46°00′0	46°40′0

(2) To be fished from 1 January to 31 March, 1 July to 31 December

(3) All Member States except Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.

Species: Northern prawn	Zone: NAFO 3M ( <sup>1</sup> )
Pandalus borealis	PRA/N3M.

(1) Vessels may also fish this stock in Division 3L in the box bounded by the following coordinates:

not relevant (2)

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	47°20′0	46°40′0
2	47°20′0	46°30′0
3	46°00′0	46°30′0
4	46°00′0	46°40′0

When conducting a fishery for shrimp in this box, vessels shall, whether or not crossing the line separating NAFO Divisions 3L and 3M, report in accordance with point 1.3 of the Annex to Council Regulation (EEC) No 189/92 of 27 January 1992 adopting provisions for the application of control measures adopted by the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (OJ L 21, 30.1.1992, p. 4. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1048/97 (OJ L 154, 12.6.1997, p. 1)). Moreover, fishing for shrimp shall be prohibited from 1 June to 31 December 2008 in the area bounded by the following coordinates:

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	47°55′0	45°00′0
2	47°30′0	44°15′0
3	46°55′0	44°15′0
4	46°35′0	44°30′0
5	46°35′0	45°40′0
6	47°30′0	45°40′0
7	47°55′0	45°00′0

(2) Not relevant. Fishery managed by limitations in fishing effort. The Member States concerned shall issue special fishing permits for their fishing vessels engaging in this fishery, and shall notify those permits to the Commission prior to the commencement of the vessel's activity, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1627/94. By way of derogation from Article 8 of that Regulation, permits will only become valid if the Commission has not objected within five working days following the notification.

Member State Maximum number of vessels		Maximum number of fishing days
Denmark	2	131
Estonia	8	1 667
Spain	10	257
Latvia	4	490
Lithuania	7	579
Poland	1	100
Portugal	1	69

Each Member State shall, within 25 days following the calendar month in which the catches are made, report monthly to the Commission the number of fishing days and the catches made in Division 3M and in the area defined in footnote  $^{(1)}$ .

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Species: Greenland halibut		Zone:	NAFO 3LMNO
Reinhardtius hippoglossoides			GHL/N3LMNO
Estonia	321,3		
Germany	328		
Latvia	45,1		
Lithuania	22,6		
Spain	4 396,5		
Portugal	1 837,5		
EC	6 951		
TAC	11 856		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Skate		Zone: NAFO 3LNO
Rajidae		SRX/N3LNO.
Spain	6 561	
Portugal	1 274	
Estonia	546	
Lithuania	119	
EC	8 500	
TAC	13 500	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species:	Redfish <i>Sebastes</i> spp.		Zone:	NAFO 3LN RED/N3LN.
EC		0 (1)		
TAC		0 (1)		

(<sup>1</sup>) There will be no direct fishing on this species, which will be caught only as by-catch within the limits defined in Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007.

Species: Redfish		Zone:	NAFO 3M
Sebastes spp.			RED/N3M.
Estonia	1 571 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Germany	513 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Spain	233 (1)		
Latvia	1 571 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Lithuania	1 571 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Portugal	2 354 (1)		
EC	7 813 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
TAC	8 500 ( <sup>1</sup> )		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

(1) This quota is subject to compliance with the TAC of 8 500 tonnes established for this stock for all NAFO Contracting Parties. Upon exhaustion of the TAC, the directed fishery for this stock shall be stopped irrespective of the level of catches.

Species: Redfish Sebaste		Zone:	NAFO 30 RED/N30.
Spain	1 771		
Portugal	5 229		
EC	7 000		
TAC	20 000		Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply. Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

Species: Redfish Sebastes spp.		Zone:	NAFO Subarea 2, Divisions IF and 3K RED/N1F3K.
Latvia	269		
Lithuania	2 234		
TAC	2 503		

Species: White hake Urophycis tenuis		Zone: NAFO 3NO HKW/N3NO.
Spain	2 165	
Portugal	2 835	
EC	5 000	
TAC	8 500	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.
		Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.

## ANNEX ID

## HIGHLY MIGRATORY FISH — All areas

TACs in this area are adopted in the framework of international fisheries organisations on tuna fisheries, such as ICCAT and IATTC.

Species: Bluefin tuna Thunnus thynnus		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, east of longitude 45° W, and Mediter- ranean BFT/AE045W
Cyprus	149,44		
Greece	277,46		
Spain	5 378,76		
France	5 306,73		
Italy	4 188,77		
Malta	343,54		
Portugal	506,06		
All Member States	60 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	16 210,75		
TAC	28 500		

(1) Except Cyprus, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Malta and Portugal, and only as by-catch.

Species: Swordfish Xiphias gladius		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of latitude 5° N SWO/AN05N
Spain	5 676,3		
Portugal	1 071,4		
All Member States	239,3 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	6 986,9		
TAC	14 000		

(1) Except Spain and Portugal, and only as by-catch.

	Zone: Atlantic Ocean, south of latitude 5° N SWO/AS05N
5 422,8	
357,2	
5 780	
17 000	
	357,2 5 780

Species: Northern albacore Germo alalunga		Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of latitude 5° N ALB/AN05N
Ireland	7 958,02 (1)		
Spain	16 961,74 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
France	7 243,99 (1)		
United Kingdom	562,33 (1)		
Portugal	4 324,32 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
EC	37 050,4 (2)		
TAC	30 200		

(1) The distribution between the Member States of the maximum number of fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State authorised to fish for Northern Albacore as a target species in accordance with Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 520/2007:

Member State	Maximum number of vessels
Ireland	50
Spain	730
France	151
United Kingdom	12
Portugal	310
	1 253

(2) The number of Community vessels fishing for Northern Albacore as a target species is fixed to 1 253 vessels in accordance with Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 520/2007.

•	ern albacore o alalunga	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of latitude 5° N ALB/AS05N
Spain	943,7		
France	311		
Portugal	660		
EC	1 914,7		
TAC	29 900		

Species:	Bigeye Tuna Thunnus obesus		Zone: Atlantic Ocean BET/ATLANT
Spain		17 264,8	
France		7 557,3	
Portugal		6 424,9	
EC		31 350	
TAC		90 000	

Species:	Blue marlin Makaira nigricans	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean BUM/ATLANT
EC	103		
TAC	Not relevant		
Species:	White marlin	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean
Species:	White marlin Tetrapturus alba	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean WHM/ATLANT
Species: EC		Zone:	

#### ANNEX IE

## ANTARCTIC

#### Area of CCAMLR

These TACs, adopted by CCAMLR, are not allocated to the members of CCAMLR and hence the Community share is undetermined. Catches are monitored by the Secretariat of CCAMLR, who will communicate when fishing must cease due to TAC exhaustion.

Species:	Unicorn icefish Channichthys rhinoceratus		Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic LIC/F5852.	
TAC		150			
Species:	Antarctic icefish Champsocephalus gunnari		Zone:	FAO 48.3 Antarctic ANI/F483.	
TAC	2	462 ( <sup>1</sup> )			

(<sup>1</sup>) This TAC is applicable for the period 15 November 2007 to 14 November 2008. Fishing for this stock during the period 1 March to 31 May 2008 shall be limited to 1 084 tonnes.

Species:	Antarctic icefish Champsocephalus gunnari	Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic ( <sup>1</sup> ) ANI/F5852.
TAC	22	0 (2)	

(1) For the purpose of this TAC, the area open to the fishery is defined as that portion of FAO statistical division 58.5.2 that lies within the area enclosed by a line:

(a) starting at the point where the meridian of longitude  $72^{\circ}15'E$  intersects the Australia–France Maritime Delimitation Agreement Boundary then south along the meridian to its intersection with the parallel of latitude  $53^{\circ}25'S$ ;

(b) then east along that parallel to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 74°E;

(c) then northeasterly along the geodesic to the intersection of the parallel of latitude 52°40'S and the meridian of longitude 76°E;

(d) then north along the meridian to its intersection with the parallel of latitude 52°S;
(e) then northwesterly along the geodesic to the intersection of the parallel of latitude 51°S with the meridian of longitude 74°30'E; and

(f) then southwesterly along the geodesic to the point of commencement.

(2) This TAC shall be applicable for the period 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2008.

Species:	Antarctic toothfish Dissostichus eleginoides		Zone:	FAO 48.3 Antarctic TOP/F483.
TAC		3 920 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Special c	onditions:			
Within th specified:		ned quota, no more t	han the qua	ntities given below may be taken in the Subare
to 43 30	nent Area A: 48 W W — 52 30 S to DP/*F483A)	0		
Management Area B: 43 1 176 30 W to 40 W — 52 30 S to 56 S (TOP/*F483B)		1 176		
to 33 30	nent Area C: 40 W W — 52 30 S to DP/*F483C)	2 744		
30 No	vember 2008.	interioriery in the peri		31 August 2008 and for pot fishery 1 December 200
Species:	Antarctic toothfish Dissostichus eleginoides		Zone:	FAO 48.4 Antarctic TOP/F484.
TAC		100		
Species:	Antarctic toothfish		Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic
Species:	Antarctic toothfish Dissostichus eleginoides		Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic TOP/F5852.
Species: TAC		2 500 ( <sup>1</sup> )	Zone:	
TAC	Dissostichus eleginoides			TOP/F5852.
TAC	Dissostichus eleginoides			TOP/F5852.
TAC ( <sup>1</sup> ) This T	Dissostichus eleginoides		east of this	TOP/F5852. meridian within this zone is prohibited (see Annex
TAC ( <sup>1</sup> ) This T	Dissostichus eleginoides		east of this	TOP/F5852. meridian within this zone is prohibited (see Annex FAO 48

Species:	Krill Euphausia superba	Zone:	FAO 58.4.1 Antarctic KRI/F5841.
TAC	440 000 ( <sup>1</sup> )		

## Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quota, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the Subareas specified:

Division 115° E (I		of	277 000
Division 115° E (I		of	163 000

(<sup>1</sup>) This TAC shall be applicable for the period 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2008.

	Krill		Zone:	FAO 58.4.2 Antarctic
	Euphausia superba			KRI/F5842.
TAC		2 645 000 ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Special c	onditions:			
Within th specified:		ned quota, no more that	in the qua	ntities given below may be taken in the Subareas
Division	58.4.2 West	1 488 000		
Division E	58.4.2 East of 55°	1 080 000		
(1) This T	AC shall be applicable for the	period 1 December 2007	to 30 Nov	vember 2008.
			1	
Species:	Grey rockcod Lepidonotothen squamifrons		Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic NOS/F5852.
TAC		80		
Species:	Crab <i>Paralomis</i> spp.		Zone:	FAO 48.3 Antarctic PAI/F483.
TAC		1 600 (1)		
		. 1 1 D 1 2007		1 2000
(') This I	AC shall be applicable for the	period 1 December 2007	to 30 Nov	vember 2008.
			1	
Species:	Grenadier Macrourus spp.		Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic GRV/F5852.
TAC	TT.	360		
		300		
		500		
		300	Jana	EAO 58 5.2 Astropio
Species:	Other species	300	Zone:	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic OTH/F5852.
Species: TAC	Other species	50	Zone:	
-	Other species		Zone:	
	Skates and rays		Zone: Zone:	OTH/F5852. FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic
TAC Species:	·	50		OTH/F5852.
TAC	Skates and rays			OTH/F5852. FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic
TAC Species: TAC	Skates and rays <i>Rajidae</i>	50	Zone:	OTH/F5852. FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic SRX/F5852.
TAC Species:	Skates and rays	50		OTH/F5852. FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic
TAC Species: TAC	Skates and rays Rajidae Squid	50	Zone:	OTH/F5852. FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic SRX/F5852. FAO 48.3 Antarctic

## ANNEX IF

## SOUTH-EAST ATLANTIC OCEAN

#### Area of SEAFO

These TACs, are not allocated to the members of SEAFO and hence the Community share is undetermined. Catches are monitored by the Secretariat of SEAFO, who will communicate when fishing must cease due to TAC exhaustion.

Species:	Patagonian Toothfish (Dissostichus eleginoides)	Zone:	SEAFO
TAC	260		
Species:	Deep-sea Red Crab (Chaceon spp.)	Zone:	SEAFO Sub Division B1 (1)
TAC	200		
— it — it — it	he purpose of this TAC, the area open to the fishery is do ts western boundary on the 0° E longitude, ts northern boundary on the latitude 20°S, ts southern boundary on the latitude 28° S, and he eastern boundary outer limits of the Namibian EEZ.	efined as ha	wing:
Species:	Deep-sea Red Crab (Chaceon spp.)	Zone:	SEAFO, excluding Sub Division B1
TAC	200		

#### ANNEX II

#### ANNEX IIA

#### FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RECOVERY OF CERTAIN STOCKS IN ICES ZONES IIIa, IV, VIa, VIIa, VIId AND EC WATERS OF ICES ZONE IIa

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. Scope

The conditions laid down in this Annex shall apply to Community vessels of length overall equal to or greater than 10 metres, carrying on board any of the gears defined in point 4 and present in ICES zones IIIa, IV, VIa, VIIa, VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa. For the purposes of this Annex, a reference to the 2008 management period means the period from 1 February 2008 to 31 January 2009.

### 2. Definitions of geographical areas

- 2.1. For the purposes of this Annex the following geographical areas shall apply:
  - (a) Kattegat;
  - (b) (i) Skagerrak;
    - (ii) that part of ICES zone IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and the Kattegat; ICES zone IV and EC waters of ICES zone IIa;
    - (iii) ICES zone VIId;
  - (c) ICES zone VIIa;
  - (d) ICES zone VIa.
- 2.2. For vessels notified to the Commission as being equipped with vessel monitoring systems in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003, the following definition of ICES zone VIa shall apply:

ICES zone VIa excluding that part of ICES zone VIa that lies to west of a line drawn by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:

60°00'N, 04°00'W 59°45'N, 05°00'W 59°30'N, 06°00'W 58°30'N, 08°00'W 58°00'N, 08°00'W 58°00'N, 08°30'W 56°00'N, 08°30'W 56°00'N, 09°00'W 55°00'N, 10°00'W 54°30'N, 10°00'W

#### 3. Definition of day present within an area

For the purpose of this Annex, a day present within an area shall be any continuous period of 24 hours (or part thereof) during which a vessel is present within the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 and absent from port. The time from which the continuous period is measured is at the discretion of the Member State whose flag is flown by the vessel concerned.

#### 4. Fishing gears

- 4.1. For the purpose of this Annex, the following groupings of fishing gears shall apply:
  - (a) Trawls, Danish seines and similar gears, except beam trawls, of mesh size:
    - (i) equal to or larger than 16 mm and less than 32 mm;
    - (ii) equal to or larger than 70 mm and less than 90 mm;
    - (iii) equal to or larger than 90 mm and less than 100 mm;
    - (iv) equal to or larger than 100 mm and less than 120 mm;
    - (v) equal to or larger than 120 mm;
  - (b) Beam trawls of mesh size:
    - (i) equal to or larger than 80 mm and less than 90 mm;
    - (ii) equal to or larger than 90 mm and less than 100 mm;
    - (iii) equal to or larger than 100 mm and less than 120 mm;
    - (iv) equal to or larger than 120 mm;
  - (c) Gillnets, entangling nets with mesh size, except trammel nets:
    - (i) less than 110 mm;
    - (ii) equal to or larger than 110 mm and less than 150 mm;
    - (iii) equal to or larger than 150 and less than 220 mm;
    - (iv) equal to or larger than 220 mm;
  - (d) Trammel nets;
  - (e) Longlines.
- 4.2. For the purposes of this Annex and referring to the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 and the groupings of fishing gears defined in point 4.1, the following transfer groups are defined:
  - (a) grouping of fishing gears 4.1.a.i within any area;
  - (b) groupings of fishing gears 4.1.a.ii within any area and 4.1.a.iii in part of ICES zone IIIa not covered by the Skagerrak and the Kattegat, ICES zones IV, VIa, VIIa, VIId and EC waters of ICES zone IIa;
  - (c) groupings of fishing gears 4.1.a.iii in Skagerrak and Kattegat, 4.1.a. iv and 4.1.a.v within any area;
  - (d) groupings of fishing gears 4.1.b.i, 4.1.b.ii, 4.1.b.iii, and 4.1.b.iv within any area;
  - (e) groupings of fishing gears 4.1.c.i, 4.1.c.ii, 4.1.c.iii, 4.1.c.iv and 4.1.d within any area;
  - (f) grouping of fishing gears 4.1.e within any area.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF FISHING EFFORT LIMITATIONS

#### 5. Vessels concerned by fishing effort limitations

- 5.1. Vessels using gear types identified in point 4.1 and fishing in areas defined in point 2 shall hold a special fishing permit issued in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1627/94.
- 5.2. A Member State shall not permit fishing with a gear belonging to a grouping of fishing gears defined in point 4.1 in any geographical area defined in point 2.1 by any vessels flying its flag which have no record of such fishing activity in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 or 2007 in that area, excluding the record of fishing activities as a result of transfer of days between fishing vessels, unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the geographical area in question.
- 5.3. However, a vessel with a track record of using a gear belonging to any grouping of fishing gears defined in point 4.1 may be authorized to use

any other fishing gear, provided that the number of days allocated to this latter gear is greater than or equal to the number of days allocated to the first gear.

- 5.4. By way of derogation from point 5.3, a vessel may be authorised to use gears belonging to groupings from points 4.1.(a)(iv) and 4.1.(a)(v) provided the special condition laid down in 8.3.(c) is met.
- 5.5. A vessel flying the flag of a Member State having no quotas in a geographical area defined in point 2.1 shall not be permitted to fish in that area with a gear belonging to a grouping of fishing gears defined in point 4.1, unless the vessel is allocated a quota after a transfer in accordance with Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002
  ►<u>C1</u> and is allocated days at sea according to points 15 or 16 of this Annex.

#### 6. Limitations in activity

Each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any of the groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1, fishing vessels flying its flag and registered in the Community shall be present within a geographical area defined in point 2.1 for no more than the number of days set out in point 8.

## 7. Exceptions

A Member State shall not count against the days present within an area allocated to any of vessels flying its flag under this Annex either any days when the vessel was present within an area but unable to fish because it was assisting another vessel in need of emergency aid or any days when a vessel has been present within an area but unable to fish because it is transporting an injured person for emergency medical aid. The Member State shall provide justification to the Commission within one month of any decisions taken on this basis with associated evidence of the emergency from competent authorities.

# NUMBER OF DAYS ABSENT FROM PORT ALLOCATED TO FISHING VESSELS

#### 8. Maximum number of days

- 8.1. During the 2008 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorize a vessel flying its flag to be present within any one of the geographical areas defined as in point 2.1 having carried on board any one of the fishing gears referred to in point 4.1 is shown in Table I.
- 8.2. When fishing in the Kattegat, a day present in the area during the period between 1 February 2008 and 30 April 2008 shall be counted as 2.5 days.
- 8.3. For the purpose of fixing the maximum number of days at sea a fishing vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within any one of the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 of this Annex, the following special conditions shall apply during the 2008 management period in accordance with Table I.
  - (a) The vessel must comply with the conditions laid down in Appendix 1.
  - (b) The vessel must comply with the conditions laid down in Appendix 2 to Annex III and catches retained on board evaluated in live weight and consigned in the Community logbook shall consist of less than 5 % of cod and of more than 70 % of Norway lobster.
  - (c) Catches retained on board shall consist of less than 5 % of cod.
  - (d) Catches retained on board shall consist of less than 5 % of cod, sole and plaice.
  - (e) Catches retained on board shall consist of less than 5 % of cod and more than 60 % of plaice.
  - (f) Catches retained on board shall consist of less than 5 % of cod and more than 5 % of turbot and lumpsucker.

- (g) The vessel must be equipped with a trammel net of mesh size  $\leq$  110 mm and must be absent from port for no more than 24 hours at a time.
- (h) The vessel must fly the flag of, and be registered in, a Member State having developed a system, approved by the Commission, of automatic suspension of fishing licences in respect of infringements by vessels qualifying for this special condition. If a system of automatic suspension that has been approved by the Commission in the past continues to apply without changes, the Member State has only to notify the Commission on the continuation of the approved system of automatic suspension of fishing licences.
- (i) The vessel must have been present in the area in the year 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 or 2007 and equipped with fishing gear belonging to groupings referred to in point 4.1(b) In 2008 catches retained on board during each trip, evaluated in live weight and consigned in the Community logbook shall consist of less than 5 % of cod. During a management period when a vessel is making use of this provision the vessel may not at any time carry on board fishing gear other than that specified in points 4.1(b)(iii) or 4.1(b)(iv).
- (j) The vessel must comply with conditions laid down in Appendix 2.
- (k) Catches retained on board shall consist of less than 5 % of cod and more than 60 % of plaice during the May — October period. At least 55 % of the maximum number of days available under this special condition shall apply in the area east of 4°30'W in the months of May to October inclusive.
- (l) The vessel must comply with conditions laid down in Appendix 3.
- 8.4. To be qualified to fish in any of the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 according to special conditions in point 8.3.(c), (d), (e), (f) or (k), the vessel, or the vessel or vessels it has replaced using similar gears and qualifying for any of such special conditions in accordance with Community law, shall have track records indicating that catches retained on board evaluated in live weight and consigned in the Community logbook, complied during 2002 with conditions on catch compositions as laid down in such special conditions and for such specific geographical area.

Alternatively, the vessel shall comply during each trip of the 2008 management period with the catch composition as laid down in the relevant special condition and shall be involved in an observer's plan submitted by its flag Member State to the Commission for approval in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

Observers shall be independent of the owner of the vessel and shall not be a member of the fishing vessel crew.

8.5. During the 2008 management period a Member State may manage its fishing effort allocations according to a kilowatt days system. By that system it may authorise any vessel concerned for any one of the combination of groupings of fishing gears and special conditions laid down in Table 1 to be present within any one of the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 of this Annex for a maximum number of days which is different from that set out in that Table provided that the overall amounts of kilowatt days corresponding to such a combination is respected.

For a specific combination of geographical areas, groupings of fishing gears and special condition, the overall amounts of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the vessels flying the flag of the Member State concerned and qualified for that specific combination. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each vessel by the number of days at sea it would benefit from, according to Table I, if the provisions of this point were not applied.

8.6. The re-allocation of fishing days referred to in point 8.5. shall be made with a view to a more efficient use of fishing opportunities or in order to stimulate fishing practices that lead to reduced discards and lower fishing mortality of both juvenile and adult fish. These practices may take the

form of fishing plans designed in collaboration with the fishing industry including, as appropriate:

- (a) a specific target to reduce cod discards to below 10 % of cod catch;
- (b) real-time closures for juveniles and for spawners;
- (c) Cod avoidance measures;
- (d) trying out new selective devices;
- (e) adequate monitoring by observers and
- (f) arrangements for follow-up and reporting.
- 8.7. A Member State wishing to benefit from the provisions laid down in point 8.5 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for each combination of geographical areas, groupings of fishing gears and special conditions as laid down in Table I the details of the calculation based on
  - (a) list of vessels authorized to fish by indicating their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - (b) track records of 2002 for such vessels reflecting the catch composition defined in special conditions in point 8.3(c), (d), (e), (f) or (k), if these vessels are qualified for such special conditions and if they are not involved in observers plans as foreseen in point 8.4;
  - (c) the number of days at sea ►<u>C1</u> for which each vessel would have initially d been authorized to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea which each vessel would benefit from in application of point 8.5.

On the basis of that description, the Commission may authorize that Member State to benefit from the provisions defined in point 8.5.

- 8.8. During the 2008 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within any combination of geographical areas defined in point 2.1 may not be higher than the highest number of days allocated for one of the areas composing it.
- 8.9. A day present within a geographical area defined in point 2.1 of this Annex shall also count against the total number of days present within the area defined in point 1 of Annex IIC for a vessel operating with the same gear as defined in point 4.1 of this Annex and point 3 of Annex IIC.
- 8.10. Where a vessel crosses between two or more geographical areas defined in point 2 of this Annex on a fishing trip, the day shall be counted against the area in which the largest proportion of time was spent during that day.

#### 9. Management periods

- 9.1. A Member State may divide the days within an area given in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.
- 9.2. The number of days for which a vessel may be present within any of the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 during a management period shall be fixed at the discretion of the Member State concerned.
- 9.3. In any given management period a vessel that has used the number of days present within the area for which it is eligible shall remain in port or out of any geographical area referred to in point 2.1 for the remainder of the management period unless using only unregulated gear as described in point 19.

# 10. Allocation of additional days for permanent cessation of fishing activities

10.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within any one of the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 when carrying on board any of the gears referred to in point 4.1 may be allocated to Member States by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing

activities that have taken place since 1 January 2002, either in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 (<sup>1</sup>) or resulting from other circumstances duly motivated by Member States.

The effort expended in 2001 measured in kilowatt days of the withdrawn vessels using the gear in question in the relevant geographical area shall be divided by the effort expended by all vessels using that gear during 2001.

The additional number of days at sea shall be then calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from this calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.

This point shall not apply where a vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 5.2 or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.

- 10.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 10.1 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for each combination of geographical areas, groupings of fishing gears and special conditions as laid down in Table I the details of the calculation based on:
  - (a) lists of withdrawn vessels with their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - (b) the fishing activity deployed by such vessels in 2001 calculated in days at sea by concerned combination of geographical area, grouping of fishing gears and if necessary special condition.
- 10.3. On the basis of such a request the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 8.1 for that Member State in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 10.4. During the 2008 management period, a Member State may re-allocate those additional numbers of days at sea to all the vessels remaining in fleet and qualified for the relevant combination of geographical areas, groupings of fishing gears and special conditions or to part of them by applying, *mutatis mutandis*, the provisions laid down in points 8.5 and 8.7.
- 10.5. Any additional number of days resulting from a permanent cessation of activity previously allocated by the Commission remains allocated in 2008.
- 11. Amendment of the number of days at sea in case of inconsistencies in the fishing opportunities on plaice and sole in geographical area 2.1(b)
- 11.1 The number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within the geographical area laid down in point 2.1(b) targeting plaice and sole with any of the following combinations of groupings of fishing gears and special conditions, may be amended by the Commission in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, when such an amendment is necessary for the Member State to be able to catch its quota:
  - 4.1(a)(iv)/none;
  - 4.1(b)(i)/none;
  - 4.1(b)(iii)/none;
  - 4.1(b)(iv)/none;
  - ▶<u>C1</u> 4.1(d)/8.3(g) ◀.
- 11.2 Member States wishing to benefit from an amendment as laid down in point 11.1 shall submit a request to the Commission including reports in electronic format containing the state on 31 July 2008 of their quota

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) Council Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 of 17 December 1999 laying down the detailed rules and arrangements regarding Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector (OJ L 337, 30.12.1999, p. 10). Regulation as repealed by Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 (OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1)).

consumption of plaice and sole and the fishing effort deployed by vessels flying their flag.

#### 12. Allocation of additional days for enhanced observer coverage

12.1. Three additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area when carrying onboard any of the groupings of fishing gear referred to in point 4.1 may be allocated between 1 February 2008 and 31 January 2009 to Member States by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry.

Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and go beyond the requirements on data collection, as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 (<sup>1</sup>), Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 (<sup>2</sup>) and Regulation (EC) No 1581/2004 (<sup>3</sup>) for the minimum and extended programme level.

Observers shall be independent of the owner of the vessel and shall not be a member of the fishing vessel crew.

- 12.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 12.1 shall submit a description of their enhanced observer coverage programme to the Commission.
- 12.3. On the basis of this description, and after consultation with STECF, the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 8.1 for that Member State and for the vessels, the area and gear concerned by the enhanced programme of observers in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 12.4. If such a programme submitted by a Member Stated has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State wishes to continue its application without changes, the Member State shall inform the Commission of the continuation of its enhanced observer coverage programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.
- 12.5. Six additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area referred to in point 2.1(c) when carrying on board gear referred to in point 4.1(a)(iv) and 4.1(a)(v) may be allocated between 1 February 2008 and 31 January 2009 to Member States by the Commission on the basis of an Enhanced Data Pilot Project
- 12.6. Twelve additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area referred to in point 2.1(c) when carrying on board gear referred to in point 4.1 except gear referred to in paragraphs 4.1(a)(iv) and 4.1(a)(v) may be allocated between 1 February 2008 and 31 January 2009 to Member States by the Commission on the basis of an Enhanced Data Pilot Project.
- 12.7. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in points 12.5 and 12.6 shall submit a description of their Enhanced Data Pilot Project to the Commission, which shall go beyond the existing requirements under Community legislation. On the basis of this description the Commission may approve a Member State's proposal for an Enhanced Data Pilot Project in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 12.8. If such an Enhanced Data Pilot Project submitted by a Member State has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State wishes to continue its application without changes, the Member State shall inform the Commission of the continuation of its enhanced observer

Council Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 of 29 June 2000 establishing a Community framework for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy (OJ L 176, 15.7.2000, p. 1). Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1343/2007 (OJ L 300, 17.11.2007, p. 24).
 Commission Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 of 25 July 2001 establishing the minimum

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 of 25 July 2001 establishing the minimum and extended Community programmes for the collection of data in the fisheries sector and laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 (OJ L 222, 17.8.2001, p. 53). Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1581/2004 (OJ L 289, 10.9.2004, p. 6).

<sup>(3)</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1581/2004 of 27 August 2004 amending Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 establishing the minimum and extended Community programmes for the collection of data in the fisheries sector and laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 (OJ L 289, 10.9.2004, p. 6)

coverage programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

12.9. During the 2008 management period, the Commission may authorize a Member State after consultation with STECF, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, to allocate up to twelve additional days at sea to vessels flying its flag and present within any of the geographical areas defined in point 2 when carrying on board any of the groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1, only if owners of these vessels sign up to a discard reduction plan.

The plan shall focus in particular on levels of discarding of Cod or other species with similar discard problems such as plaice and sole, for which either a management plan or a recovery plan is adopted, and shall include:

- (a) measures designed to encourage the avoidance of juvenile and spawning fish of the fish species concerned;
- (b) the trialling and implementation of technical measures to improve selectivity for those species;
- (c) increased rates of observation of the fleet concerned;
- (d) arrangements for regular provision of data to the Commission and for monitoring annually the outcomes delivered by the plan.
- 12.10. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 12.9 shall submit a description of their discard reduction plan to the Commission and the list of fishing vessels flying their flag which will be involved in such a plan.
- 12.11. During the 2008 management period, where owners of these vessels participate in the cod avoidance reference fleet programme laid down in point 12.13, following authorisation by the Commission a Member State may allocate:
  - (a) 12 additional days at sea to vessels flying its flag and present within the area laid down in point 2.1(b) when carrying on board any of the groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1; or
  - (b) 10 additional days at sea to vessels flying its flag and present within the area laid down in point 2.1(d) when carrying on board any of the groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1.

Vessels participating in a cod avoidance reference fleet programme shall meet a specific target to reduce cod discards to below 10 % of cod catches. A cod avoidance reference fleet programme shall be subject to observation at a rate of at least 10 %.

- 12.12. The days at sea allocations referred to in point 12.11 may be allocated in addition to the allocations referred to in point 12.9.
- 12.13. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 12.11 shall submit a description of their cod avoidance reference fleet programme to the Commission and a list of vessels flying their flag which will be involved in such a programme. The number of vessels participating in the cod avoidance reference fleet programme shall be such that their accumulated capacity expressed in kW does not exceed 10 % of the cumulated capacity in kW of all the vessels belonging to the same gear category.
- 12.14. On the basis of the description and the list referred to in point 12.13, and after consultation with the STECF, the Commission may in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 authorise Member States to apply the provisions set out in point 12.11.

#### 13. Special conditions for the allocation of days

- 13.1. The special fishing permit referred to in point 5.1 for any vessel benefiting of any special conditions listed in point 8.3 shall identify such conditions.
- 13.2. If a number of days is allocated to a vessel resulting from compliance with any of the special conditions listed in points 8.3(b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (k) or (i), the catches taken by that vessel and retained on board shall consist of no more than the percentage of those species referred to in

these points. The vessel shall not tranship any fish to another vessel. When either of these conditions is not met by a vessel, that vessel shall with immediate effect no longer be entitled to the allocation of days corresponding to the given special conditions.

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## Table I

### Maximum days a vessel may be present in 2008 within an area by fishing gear

				1	Areas as def	ined in poin	t:	
Gear Point 4.1	Special condition Point 8	Denomination ( <sup>1</sup> )	2.1.a Kattegat	► <u>C1</u> (ii) IIIa not and Katte EC water	2.1.b — Skagger — part of 2 covered by 2 gat; ICES zc s of ICES z (iii) — VIIc	ICES zone Skagerrak one IV and one IIa ◀	2.1.c VIIa	2.1.d VIa
				(i)	(ii)	(iii)		
a.i		Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 16$ and $< 32$ mm	228		228 (2)		228	228
a.ii		Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 70 and $<$ 90 mm	n.r.	n.r.	184	199	184	204
a.iii		Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\ge 90$ and $< 100$ mm	71	86	1	88	227	227
a.iv		Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 100$ and < 120 mm	103		86		86	69
a.v		Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 120 mm	103		86		114	70
a.iii	8.3(a)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 90 and < 100 mm with a 120 mm square mesh window (Appendix 1)	126	126	2	227	227	227
a.iv	8.3(a)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm with a 120 mm square mesh window (Appendix 1)	137	137	1	103	114	91
a.v	8.3(a)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm with a 120 mm square mesh window (Appendix 1)	137	137	]	103	114	91
a.v.	8.3(j)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm with a 140 mm square mesh window (Appendix 2)	149	149	]	15	126	103
a.ii	8.3(b)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 70 and < 90 mm complying with the conditions laid down in Appendix 2 to Annex III	Unl.		Unlimited	1	Unl.	Unl.
a.ii	8.3(c)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 70 and $<$ 90 mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod	n.r	n.r	215	227	204	227

				1	Areas as defined	l in poin	t:	
Gear Point 4.1	Condition Denomination (1)		2.1.a Kattegat	► <u>C1</u> (ii) IIIa not and Katte EC water	2.1.b — Skaggerak — part of ICE: covered by Skag gat; ICES zone : s of ICES zone (iii) — VIId	gerrak IV and	2.1.c VIIa	2.1.d VIa
				(i)	(ii)	(iii)	-	
a.iii	8.3(1)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 90 and $<$ 100 mm complying with the conditions laid down in Appendix 3	132	132	238		238	238
a.iv	8.3(c)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod	148		148		148	148
a.v	8.3(c)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod	160		160		160	160
a.iv	8.3(k)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod and more than 60 % of plaice	n.r.		n.r.		166	n.r.
a.v	8.3(k)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod and more than 60 % of plaice	n.r.		n.r.		178	n.r.
a.v	8.3(h)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm operating under a system of automatic suspension of fishing licences	115		115		126	103
a.ii	8.3(d)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 70 and $<$ 90 mm track records represent less than 5 % of cod, sole and plaice	280		280		280	252
a.iii	8.3(d)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq$ 90 and $<$ 100 mm track records represent less than 5 % of cod, sole and plaice	Unl.	Unl.	280		280	280
a.iv	8.3(d)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm track records represent less than 5 % of cod, sole and plaice	Unl.		Unlimited		276	276
a.v	8.3(d)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size >120 mm track records represent less than 5 % of cod, sole and plaice	Unl.		Unlimited		Unl.	279

				I	Areas as def	ined in poin	t:	
Gear Point 4.1	Special condition Point 8	Denomination ( <sup>1</sup> )	2.1.a Kattegat	► <u>C1</u> (ii) IIIa not and Katter EC water	2.1.b – Skagge – part of covered by gat; ICES zc s of ICES z (iii) – VIIc	ICES zone Skagerrak one IV and cone IIa ◀	2.1.c VIIa	2.1. VIa
				(i)	(ii)	(iii)		
a.v	8.3(h) 8.3(j)	Trawls or Danish seines with mesh size >120 mm with a 140 mm square mesh window (Appendix 2) and operating under a system of automatic suspension of fishing licenses	n.r.	n.r.	]	127	138	115
b.i		Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 80$ and $< 90$ mm	n.r.	11	9 (2)	Unl.	132	143 (
b.ii		Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq$ 90 and < 100 mm	n.r.	14	3 (2)	Unl.	143	143
b.iii		Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm	n.r.	1	29	Unl.	143	143
b.iv		Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 120 \text{ mm}$	n.r.	129 Unl. 155 Unl.		143	143	
b.iii	8.3(c)	Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod	n.r.			155	155	
b.iii	8.3(i)	Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 100$ and $< 120$ mm for vessels having used beam trawls in 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006.	n.r.	1	55	Unl.	155	155
b.iv	8.3(c)	Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq$ 120 mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod	n.r.	1	55	Unl.	155	155
b.iv	8.3(i)	Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm for vessels having used beam trawls in 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006.	n.r.	1	55	Unl.	155	155
b.iv	8.3(e)	Beam trawls with mesh size $\geq 120$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod and more than 60 % of plaice	n.r.	1	55	Unl.	155	155
c.i		Gillnets and entangling nets with mesh sizes < 110 mm	140		140		140	140
c.ii		Gillnets and entangling nets with mesh sizes $\geq 110$ mm and $< 150$ mm	140		126		140	140
c.iii		Gillnets and entangling nets with mesh sizes $\geq 150$ mm and $< 220$ mm	140		117		115	140
c.iv		Gillnets and entangling nets with mesh sizes $\geq 220$ mm	140		140		140	140

				1	Areas as def	ined in poin	t:	
Gear Point 4.1	Special condition Point 8	Denomination ( <sup>1</sup> )	2.1.a Kattegat	► <u>C1</u> (ii) IIIa not and Katte EC water	2.1.b – Skagger – part of 1 covered by 2 gat; ICES zc s of ICES z (iii) – VIIc	ICES zone Skagerrak one IV and one IIa ◀	2.1.c VIIa	2.1.d VIa
				(i)	(ii)	(iii)		
d		Trammel nets	140		140		140	140
c.iii	8.3(f)	Gillnets and entangling nets with mesh size $\geq 220$ mm track records shall represent less than 5 % of cod and more than 5 % of turbot and lump- sucker	162	140	162	140	140	140
d	8.3(g)	Trammel nets with mesh size < 110 mm. The vessel shall be absent from the port no more than 24 h.	140	140	18	5 (3)	140	140
e		Long-lines	173		173		173	173

 $(^{1})$  Only the denominations in points 4.1 and 8.3 are used.

(2) Application of Title V of Regulation (EC) No 850/98 where restrictions exist.

(3) For Member States whose quotas are less than 5 % of the Community share of the TACs of both plaice and sole, the number of days at sea shall be 205.

n.r. means 'non relevant'

#### EXCHANGES OF FISHING EFFORT ALLOCATIONS

## 15. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of a member state

- 15.1. A Member State may permit any fishing vessel flying its flag to transfer days present within a geographical area referred to in point 2.1 for which it has been authorised to another vessel flying its flag provided that the product of the days received by a vessel and its engine power in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the days transferred by the donor vessel and the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. The engine power in kilowatts of the vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the Community fishing fleet register.
- 15.2. The total number of days present within an area under point 15.1. multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor vessel shall not be higher than the donor vessel's average annual days track record excluding transfers from other vessels in that area as verified by the Community logbook in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. When a donor vessel uses the area definition of West of Scotland as defined in point 2.2 its track record calculation will be based on this area definition.

For the purposes of this point, the recipient vessel is deemed to use its own allocated days before any days transferred to it. Transferred days used by the recipient vessel are counted towards the track record of the donor vessel.

- 15.3. The transfer of days as described in point 15.1 shall only be permitted between vessels operating within the same transfer group as defined in point 4.2 and during the same management period. A Member State may allow a transfer of days when a licensed donor vessel has ceased its activity.
- 15.4. Transfer of days is only permitted for vessels benefiting from an allocation of fishing days without the special conditions laid down in point 8.3.

By way of derogation from this point, vessels benefiting from the allocation of fishing days under the special condition referred to in point 8.3(h), when this condition is not combined with any other special condition as laid down in point 8.3, may transfer days.

15.5. On request from the Commission, Member States shall provide information on the transfers that have taken place. With the purpose of making this information available to the Commission, a detailed format of spreadsheet may be adopted, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

#### 16. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of different Member States

Member States may permit transfer of days present within an area for the same management period and within the same area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided the same provisions as laid down in points 5.2, 5.5, 7 and 15 apply. Where Member States decide to authorise such a transfer, they shall notify the Commission before such transfers take place the details of the transfer, including the number of days transferred, the fishing effort and, where applicable, the quotas relating thereto.

#### USE OF FISHING GEAR

#### 17. Notification of fishing gear

Before the first day of each management period the master of a vessel or his representative shall notify to the authorities of the flag Member State which gear or gears he intends to use during the forthcoming management period. Until such notification is provided the vessel shall not be entitled to fish within the geographical areas defined in point 2.1 with any of the fishing gear referred to in point 4.1.

#### 18. Use of more than one grouping of fishing gear

- 18.1. A vessel may use gears belonging to more than one of the groupings of fishing gears defined under point 4.1 during one management period.
- 18.2. Whenever the master of a vessel or his representative notifies the use of more than one fishing gear, the vessel may at any moment use one of the gears notified provided that the total number of days spent fishing with whichever gear since the beginning of the year is:
  - (a) no more than total number of days available during the year which represents the arithmetic mean of the days corresponding to each gear in accordance with Table I, rounded down to the nearest whole day, and
  - (b) no more than the number of days that would be allocated in accordance with Table I if that gear was used in isolation.
- 18.3. If one of the gears notified has no limitation in number of days, then the total number of days available during the year for this particular gear shall remain unlimited.
- 18.4. Whenever a Member State chooses to divide the days into management periods in accordance with point 9, the conditions of points 18.2, 18.3 and 18.4 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* for each management period.
- 18.5. The option to use more than one gear shall only be available if the following additional monitoring arrangements are met:
  - (a) during a given trip the fishing vessel may carry on board or use only one of the groupings of fishing gear referred to in point 4.1, except as provided for in point 20.2;
  - (b) before any trip the master of a vessel or his representative shall give prior notice to the competent authorities of the type of fishing gear that is to be carried on board or used unless the type of fishing gear has not changed from the one notified for the previous trip.
- 18.6. Inspection and surveillance at sea and in port by the competent authorities shall be undertaken for verification of compliance with the above two requirements. Any vessel found not to be complying with these

requirements shall with immediate effect no longer be permitted to use more than one grouping of fishing gears.

#### 19. Combined use of regulated and unregulated fishing gear

A vessel wishing to combine the use of one or more of the fishing gears referred to in point 4.1 (regulated gears) with any other fishing gears not referred to in point 4.1 (unregulated gears) shall not be restricted in their use of the unregulated gear. Such vessels must pre-notify when the regulated gear is to be used. When no such notification has been given, none of the fishing gear referred to in point 4.1 may be carried on board. Such vessels must be authorised and equipped to undertake the alternative fishing activity with unregulated gears.

# 20. Prohibition of carrying on board more than one regulated fishing gear

- 20.1. A vessel which is present within any of the geographical areas defined in point 2 and carrying on board a fishing gear belonging to one of the groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1 may not simultaneously carry on board any gear belonging to one of the other groupings of fishing gears referred to in point 4.1.
- 20.2. By way of derogation from point 20.1 a vessel may carry on board and use during a trip in a geographical area referred to in point 2.1 fishing gears belonging to different groupings of fishing gears. In that case the number of days at sea spent by the vessel during that trip shall be counted for as fishing with the gear and special condition for which the lowest number of days apply in accordance with Table I.

#### NON-FISHING RELATED ACTIVITIES AND TRANSIT

#### 21. Non-fishing related activities

In any given management period a vessel may undertake non-fishing related activities, without that time being counted against its days allocated under point 8, provided that the vessel first notifies its flag Member State of its intention to do so, the nature of its activity and that it surrenders its fishing licence for this time. Such vessels shall not carry any fishing gear or fish on board during that time.

#### 22. Transit

A vessel is allowed to transit across the area provided that it has no fishing permit to operate in the area or that it has first notified its authorities of its intention to do so. While that vessel is within the area any fishing gears carried on board must be lashed and stowed in accordance with conditions laid down in Article 20(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

#### MONITORING, INSPECTION AND SURVEILLANCE

#### 23. Fishing effort messages

By way of derogation from Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 423/2004, vessels equipped with vessel monitoring systems in accordance with Article 5 and 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 shall be excluded from the hailing requirements set out in Article 19(c) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

#### VESSEL MONITORING SYSTEMS OBLIGATIONS

#### 24. Recording of relevant data

Member States shall ensure that the following data received pursuant to Articles 8, 10(1) and 11(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 are recorded in a computer-readable form:

- (a) entry into, and exit from port;
- (b) each entry into, and exit from maritime areas where specific rules on access to waters and resources apply.

#### 25. Cross-checks

Member States shall verify the submission of logbooks and relevant information recorded in the logbook by using VMS data. Such crosschecks shall be recorded and made available to the Commission on request.

## **REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

#### 26. Collection of relevant data

Member States, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days absent from port and present within the areas as set out in this Annex, shall collect for each annual quarter the information about total fishing effort deployed in the areas defined in point 2.1 for towed gears, static gears and demersal longlines and effort deployed by vessels using different types of gear in the areas concerned by this Annex.

#### 27. Communication of relevant data

- 27.1. On request of the Commission, Members States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with the data referred to in point 26 in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission.
- 27.2. A new format of spreadsheet for making the data referred to in point 26 available to the Commission may be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

#### Table II

#### **Reporting format**

Cou- ntry	CFR	mark1-	nal of Area marki- ng gement	Ge	Gear(s) notified				ecial o ying t gea	to not			Days eligible using notified gear(s) Days spent with notified gear(s)				Tran- sfers of				
						N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(10)

#### Table III

#### **Data format**

	Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
(1)	Country	3	n/r	Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which vessel is registered for fishing under Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002. In the case of the donor Vessel, it is always the reporting country
(2)	CFR	12	n/r	Community Fleet Register number Unique identification number of a fishing vessel. Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (9 char- acters). Where a series has fewer than 9 characters additional zeros must be inserted on the left hand side.
(3)	External marking	14	L	Under Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87

	Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
(4)	Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months.
(5)	Area fished	1	L	Indicate if vessel has been fishing in area a, b, c or d of point 2.1 of Annex IIA.
(6)	gear(s) notified	5	L	Indication of gear grouping notified in accordance with point 4.1 to Annex IIA (e.g a.i, a.ii. a.iii, a.iv, a.v, b.i, b.ii, b.iii, b. iv, c.i, c.ii, c.iii, d or e).
(7)	Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	2	L	Indication of which, if any, of the special condition a-l referred to in point 8.3 of Annex IIA apply.
(8)	Days eligible using notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the vessel is eligible under Annex IIA for the choice of gears and length of management period notified
(9)	Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days the vessel actually spent present within the area and using the gear notified during the notified management period according to Annex IIA
(10)	Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate '- number of days transferred' and for days received indicate '+ number of days transferred'

 $(\ensuremath{^*})$  relevant information for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.

#### Appendix 1 to Annex IIA

A copy of the special permits referred to in point 13.1 of this Annex shall be kept on board the fishing vessel.

- 1. When holding the special fishing permit the vessel shall only keep on board and use a towed net with an escape window as specified in point 2 of this Appendix. The gear shall be approved by the national inspectors before commencing fishing.
- 2. Escape window
- 2.1. The window shall be inserted in the untapered section with a minimum of 80 open meshes in the circumference. The window shall be inserted into the top panel. There shall be no more than two open diamond meshes between the posterior row of meshes in the side of the window and the adjacent selvedge. The window shall terminate no more than six metres from codline. The joining rate shall be two diamond meshes to one square mesh when codend mesh size is equal or more than 120 mm, five diamond meshes to two square meshes when codend mesh size is equal or more than 100 mm and less than 120 mm and three diamond meshes to one square mesh when codend mesh size is equal or more than 90 mm and less than 100 mm.
- 2.2. The window shall be at least three meters in length. The meshes shall have a minimum opening of 120 mm. The meshes shall be square meshes, i.e. all four sides of the window netting will be cut bars. The netting shall be mounted such that the bars run parallel and perpendicular to the length of the cod-end.
- 2.3. The netting f square-meshed panel shall be knotless single twine. The window shall be inserted in such a way that the meshes remain fully open at all times when fishing. The window shall not be obstructed in any way by either internal or external attachments.

#### Appendix 2 to Annex IIA

A copy of the special permits referred to in point 13.1. of this Annex shall be kept on board the fishing vessel.

- 1. When holding the special fishing permit the vessel shall only keep on board and use a towed net with an escape window as specified in point 2 of this Appendix. The gear shall be approved by the national inspectors before commencing fishing.
- 2. Escape window
- 2.1. The window shall be inserted in the untapered section with a minimum of 80 open meshes in the circumference. The window shall be inserted into the top panel. There shall be no more than two open diamond meshes between the posterior row of meshes in the side of the window and the adjacent selvedge. The window shall terminate no more than 6 metres from cod-line. The joining rate shall be five diamond meshes to two square meshes.
- 2.2. The window shall be at least three meters in length. The meshes shall have a minimum opening of 140 mm. The meshes shall be square meshes i.e. all four sides of the window netting will be cut bars. The netting shall be mounted such that the bars run parallel and perpendicular to the length of the codend.
- 2.3. The netting of square-meshed panel shall be knotless single twine. The window shall be inserted in such a way that the meshes remain fully open at all times when fishing. The window shall not be obstructed in any way by either internal or external attachments.

#### Appendix 3 to Annex IIA

- 1. A copy of the special permits referred to in point 13.1 of this Annex shall be kept on board the fishing vessel.
- 2. When holding the special fishing permit the vessel shall only keep on board and use a towed net with an escape window as specified in point 3 of this Appendix inserted in a codend with a mesh size equal or larger than 95 mm and with a minimum of 80 open meshes and a maximum of 100 meshes in the circumference. The gear shall be approved by the national inspectors before commencing fishing.
- 3. Escape window
- 3.1. The window shall be inserted in the top panel. There shall be no more than two open diamond meshes between the posterior row of meshes in the side of the window and the adjacent selvedge. The window shall terminate no more than 4 metres from cod-line. The joining rate shall be three diamond meshes to one square mesh.
- 3.2. The window shall be at least five meters in length. The meshes shall have a minimum opening of 120 mm. The meshes shall be square meshes i.e. all four sides of the window netting will be cut bars. The netting shall be mounted such that the bars run parallel and perpendicular to the length of the codend.
- 3.3. The netting of square-meshed panel shall be knotless single twine. The window shall be inserted in such a way that the meshes remain fully open at all times when fishing. The window shall not be obstructed in any way by either internal or external attachments.

#### ANNEX IIB

#### FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RECOVERY OF CERTAIN SOUTHERN HAKE AND NORWAY LOBSTER STOCKS IN ICES ZONES VIIIC AND IXa EXCLUDING THE GULF OF CADIZ

#### 1. Scope

The conditions laid down in this Annex shall apply to Community vessels of length overall equal to or greater than 10 metres, carrying on board towed and static gears defined in point 3 and present in zones VIIIc and IXa excluding the Gulf of Cadiz. For the purposes of this Annex, a reference to the 2008 management period means the period from 1 February 2008 to 31 January 2009.

#### 2. Definition of day present within the area

For the purpose of this Annex, a day present within an area shall be any continuous period of 24 hours (or part thereof) during which a vessel is present within the geographical area defined in point 1 and absent from port. The time from which the continuous period is measured is at the discretion of the Member State whose flag is flown by the vessel concerned.

#### 3. Fishing gear

For the purpose of this Annex, the following grouping of fishing gears shall apply:

 Trawls, Danish seines and similar gears of mesh size equal to or larger than 32 mm and gill-nets of mesh size equal to or larger than 60 mm and bottom long-lines.

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF FISHING EFFORT LIMITATIONS

#### 4. Vessels concerned by fishing effort limitations

- 4.1. Vessels using gears belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3 and fishing in areas defined in point 1 shall hold a special fishing permit issued in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1627/94.
- 4.2. A Member State shall not permit fishing with any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3 in the area by any of its vessels which have no record of such fishing activity in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 or 2007 in the area, excluding the record of fishing activities as a result of transfer of days between fishing vessels, unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the regulated area.
- 4.3. A vessel flying the flag of a Member State having no quotas in the area defined in point 1 shall not be permitted to fish in that area with a gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3, unless the vessel is allocated a quota after a transfer as permitted according to the Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 ►C1 and is allocated days at sea according to point 12 or 13 of this Annex ◄.

#### 5. Limitations in activity

Each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3, fishing vessels flying its flag and registered in the Community shall be present within the area for no more than the number of days specified in point 7.

#### 6. Exceptions

A Member State shall not count against the days allocated to any of its vessels under this Annex either any days when the vessel has been present within the area but unable to fish because it was assisting another vessel in need of emergency aid or any days when a vessel has been present within the area but unable to fish because it is transporting an injured person for emergency medical aid. The Member State shall provide justification to the Commission within one month of any

decisions taken on this basis with associated evidence of the emergency from the competent authorities.

#### NUMBER OF DAYS PRESENT WITHIN THE AREA ALLOCATED TO FISHING VESSELS

#### 7. Maximum number of days

- 7.1. During the 2008 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorize a vessel flying its flag to be present within the area having carried on board any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3 is shown in Table I.
- 7.2. For the purposes of fixing the maximum number of days at sea a fishing vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within the area, the following special conditions shall apply during the 2008 management period in accordance with Table I:
  - (a) The total landings of hake in the years 2001, 2002 and 2003 made by the vessel, or by the vessel or vessels using similar gears and qualifying for this special condition, *mutatis mutandis*, that it has replaced in accordance with Community law, shall represent less than 5 tonnes according to the landings in live weight consigned in the Community logbook, and;
  - (b) The total landings of Norway lobster in the years 2001, 2002 and 2003 made by the vessel, or by the vessel or vessels using similar gears and qualifying for this special condition, *mutatis mutandis*, that it has replaced in accordance with Community law, shall represent less than 2,5 tonnes according to the landings in live weight consigned in the Community logbook.
- 7.3. During the 2008 management period, a Member State may manage its fishing effort allocations according to a kilowatt days system. By that system it may authorise any vessel concerned for any gear of the grouping of fishing gears and special conditions laid down in Table I to be present within the area for a maximum number of days which is different from that set out in that Table, provided that the overall amount of kilowatt days corresponding to the grouping and special condition is respected.

This overall amount of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the vessels flying the flag of that Member State and qualified for the grouping of fishing gears referred to in point 3 and special condition. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each vessel by the number of days at sea it would benefit from, according to table I, if the provisions of this point were not applied.

- 7.4. A Member State wishing to benefit from the provisions laid down in point 7.3 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for the grouping of fishing gears and special condition as laid down in Table I the details of the calculation based on
  - list of vessels authorized to fish by indicating their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - track records of 2001, 2002 and 2003 for such vessels reflecting the catch composition defined in special conditions 7.2(a) or (b), if these vessels are qualified for such special conditions;
  - the number of days at sea for which each vessel would had initially been authorized to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea which each vessel would benefit from in application of point 7.3.

On the basis of that description, the Commission may authorize that Member State to benefit from the provisions defined in point 7.3.

#### 8. Management periods

8.1. A Member State may divide the days present within the area given in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.

- 8.2. The number of days for which a vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed at the discretion of the Member State concerned.
- 8.3. In any given management period a vessel may undertake non-fishing related activities, without that time being counted against its days allocated under point 7, provided that the vessel first notifies its flag Member State of its intention to do so, the nature of its activity and that it surrenders its fishing licence for this time. Such vessels shall not carry any fishing gear or fish on board during that time.

# 9. Allocation of additional days for permanent cessation of fishing activities

9.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within the geographical area when carrying on board any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gears referred to in point 3 may be allocated to Member States by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing activities that have taken place since 1 January 2004 either in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 or resulting from other circumstances duly motivated by Member States. Any vessels that can be shown to have been definitively withdrawn from the area may also be considered. The effort expended in 2003 measured in kilowatt days of the withdrawn vessels using the gears in question shall be divided by the effort expended by all vessels using those gears during 2003.

The additional number of days at sea shall be then calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from this calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.

This point shall not apply where a vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 4.1 or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.

- 9.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 9.1 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for the grouping of fishing gears and special condition as laid down in Table I the details of the calculation based on
  - lists of withdrawn vessels with their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - the fishing activity deployed by such vessels in 2003 calculated in days at sea according to the grouping of fishing gears and if necessary special condition.
- 9.3. On the basis of such a request the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 7.1 for that Member State in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 9.4. During the 2008 management period, a Member State may re-allocate those additional numbers of days at sea to all the vessels remaining in fleet and qualified for the gears belonging to the grouping of fishing gears and special condition or to part of them by applying, *mutatis mutandis*, the provisions laid down in points 7.3 and 7.4.
- 9.5. Any additional number of days resulting from a permanent cessation of activity previously allocated by the Commission on the basis of previous definitions of groupings of fishing gears shall be reassessed on the basis of the grouping of fishing gears laid down in point 3. Any additional days so obtained shall remain allocated in 2008.

#### 10. Allocation of additional days for enhanced observer coverage

10.1. Three additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area when carrying onboard any gears belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3 may be allocated between 1 February 2008 and 31 January 2009 to Member States by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry. Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and go beyond the requirements on data collection, as laid down in Regulation

(EC) No 1543/2000, Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 and Regulation (EC) No 1581/2004 for the minimum and extended programme levels.

Observers shall be independent from the owner of the vessel and shall not be a member of the fishing vessel crew.

- 10.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 10.1 shall submit a description of their enhanced observer coverage programme to the Commission.
- 10.3. On the basis of this description, and after consultation with STECF, the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 7.1 for that Member State and for the vessels, the area and gear concerned by the enhanced programme of observers in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 10.4. If such a programme submitted by a Member Stated has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State wishes to continue its application without changes, the Member State shall inform the Commission of the continuation of its enhanced observer coverage programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

#### 11. Special conditions for the allocation of days

- 11.1. If a vessel has received an unlimited number of days resulting from compliance with the special conditions listed in points 7.2(a) and 7.2(b), the vessel's landings in 2008 shall not exceed 5 tonnes live weight of hake and 2,5 tonnes live weight of Norway lobster.
- 11.2. The vessel shall not tranship any fish at sea to another vessel.
- 11.3. When either of these conditions is not met by a vessel, that vessel shall with immediate effect no longer be entitled to the allocation of days corresponding to the given special conditions.

#### Table I

#### Maximum number of days a vessel may be present within the area by fishing gear per year

Gear point 3	Special conditions point 7	Denomination Only the gear groupings as defined in point 3 and the special conditions as defined in point 7 are used.	Maximum number of days
3		Bottom trawls of mesh size $\ge 32$ mm, gill- nets of mesh size $\ge 60$ mm and bottom long-lines	194
3	7.2(a) and 7.2(b)	Bottom trawls of mesh size $\ge 32$ mm, gill- nets of mesh size $\ge 60$ mm and bottom long-lines	Unlimited

#### **EXCHANGES OF FISHING EFFORT ALLOCATIONS**

#### 12. Transfer of days between vessels flying the flag of a member state

- 12.1. A Member State may permit any fishing vessel flying its flag to transfer days present within the area for which it has been authorised to another vessel flying its flag within the area provided that the product of the days received by a vessel multiplied by its engine in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the days transferred by the donor vessel and the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. The engine power in kilowatts of the vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the Community fishing fleet register.
- 12.2. The total number of days present within the area transferred under point 12.1 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor vessel shall not be higher than the donor vessel's average annual days track record in the area as verified by the Community logbook in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel.

- 12.3. The transfer of days as described in point 12.1 shall be permitted only between vessels operating within the any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear and during the same management period.
- 12.4. Transfer of days is only permitted for vessels benefiting from an allocation of fishing days without special condition, as laid down in point 7.2.
- 12.5. On request from the Commission, Member States shall provide information on the transfers that have taken place. Formats of spreadsheet for the collection and transmission of information referred to in the present point may be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

# 13. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of different member states

Member States may permit transfer of days present within the area for the same management period and within the area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided  $\blacktriangleright$ <u>C1</u> the same provisions as laid down in points 4.2, 4.3, 6 and 12 apply.  $\triangleleft$  Where Member States decide to authorize such a transfer, they shall notify the Commission, before such transfers take place, the details of the transfer, including the number of days, the fishing effort and, where applicable, the fishing quotas relating thereto.

#### **USE OF FISHING GEAR**

#### 14. Notification of fishing gear

Before the first day of each management period the master of a vessel or his representative shall notify to the authorities of the flag Member State which gear or gears he intends to use during the forthcoming management period. Until such notification is provided the vessel shall not be entitled to fish within the area defined in point 1 with any gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3.

#### 15. Combined used of regulated and unregulated fishing gear

A vessel wishing to combine the use of one or more of the fishing gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3 (regulated gears) with any other grouping of fishing gear not referred to in point 3 (unregulated gears) will not be restricted in their use of the unregulated gear. Such vessels must pre-notify when the regulated gear is to be used. When no such notification has been given, none of the fishing gear belonging to the grouping of fishing gear referred to in point 3 may be carried on board. Such vessels must be authorised and equipped to undertake the alternative fishing activity with the unregulated gears.

#### TRANSIT

#### 16. Transit

A vessel is allowed to transit across the area provided that it has no fishing permit to operate in the area or it has first notified its authorities of its intention to do so. While that vessel is within the area any fishing gears carried on board must be lashed and stowed in accordance with conditions laid down in Article 20(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

#### MONITORING, INSPECTION AND SURVEILLANCE

#### 17. Fishing effort messages

Articles 19b, 19c, 19d, 19e and 19k of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 shall apply to vessels carrying on board gears belonging to the grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3 of this Annex and operating in the area defined in point 1 of this Annex. Vessels equipped with vessel monitoring systems in accordance with Article 5 and 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 shall be excluded from these hailing requirements set out in Article 19(c) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

#### 18. **Recording of relevant data**

Member States shall ensure that the following data received pursuant to Articles 8, 10(1) and 11(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 are recorded in a computer-readable form:

(a) entry into, and exit from port;

(b) each entry into, and exit from maritime areas where specific rules on access to waters and resources apply.

#### 19. Cross-checks

Member States shall verify the submission of logbooks and relevant information recorded in the logbook by using VMS data. Such crosschecks shall be recorded and made available to the Commission on request.

#### **REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

#### 20. Collection of relevant data

Member States, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days present within the area as set out in this Annex, shall collect for each annual quarter the information about total fishing effort deployed within the area for towed gears and static gears and effort deployed by vessels using different types of gear in the area concerned by this Annex.

#### 21. Communication of relevant data

- 21.1. On request of the Commission, Members States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with the data referred to in point 20 in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission.
- 21.2. A new format of spreadsheet for making the data referred to in point 20 available to the Commission may be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

#### Table II

#### **Reporting format**

Country	CFR	External marking	Length of manage-	Area fished		lying	conditi to noti ır(s)				ible us gear(				ent wi gear(s		Transfer of days
			ment period		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(9)

#### Table III

#### Data format

	Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
(1)	Country	3	n/r	Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which vessel is registered for fishing under Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002. In the case of the donor Vessel, it is always the reporting country
(2)	CFR	12	n/r	Community Fleet Register number Unique identification number of a fishing vessel.

	Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
				Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (9 char- acters). Where a series has fewer than 9 characters additional zeros must be inserted on the left hand side.
(3)	External marking	14	L	Under Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87
(4)	Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months.
(5)	Area fished	1	L	Non relevant information in the case of Annex IIB.
(6)	Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	2	L	Indication of which, if any, of the special condition a-b referred to in point 7.2 of Annex IIB that apply.
(7)	Days eligible using notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the vessel is eligible under Annex IIB for the choice of gears and length of management period notified
(8)	Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days the vessel actually spent present within the area and using a gear corresponding to gear notified during the notified management period according to Annex IIB.
(9)	Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate '- number of days transferred' and for days received indicate '+ number of days transferred'

(\*) relevant information for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.

#### ANNEX IIC

#### FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RECOVERY OF WESTERN CHANNEL SOLE STOCKS ICES ZONE VIIe

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. Scope

- 1.1. The conditions laid down in this Annex shall apply to Community vessels of length overall equal to or greater than 10 metres carrying on board any of the gears defined in point 3, and present in zone VIIe. For the purposes of this Annex, a reference to the 2008 management period means the period from 1 February 2008 to 31 January 2009.
- 1.2. Vessels fishing with static nets with mesh size equal to or larger than 120 mm and with track records of less than 300 kg live weight of sole according to the EC logbook in 2004 shall be exempt from the provisions of this Annex on the conditions that:
  - (a) such vessels catch less than 300 kg live weight of sole during the 2008 management period, and
  - (b) such vessels shall not tranship any fish at sea to another vessel, and
  - (c) each Member State concerned makes a report to the Commission by 31 July 2008 and 31 January 2009 on these vessels' track records for sole in 2004 and catches of sole in 2008.

When either of these conditions is not met, the concerned vessels shall with immediate effect no longer be exempted from the provisions of this Annex.

#### 2. Definition of day present with the area

For the purpose of this Annex, a day present within an area shall be any continuous period of 24 hours (or part thereof) during which a vessel is present within zone VIIe and absent from port. The time from which the continuous period is measured is at the discretion of the Member State whose flag is flown by the vessel concerned.

#### 3. Fishing gear

For the purposes of this Annex, the following groupings of fishing gears shall apply:

- (a) Beam trawls of mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm;
- (b) Static nets including gill-nets, trammel-nets and tangle-nets with mesh size less than 220 mm.

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF FISHING EFFORT LIMITATIONS

#### 4. Vessels concerned by fishing effort limitations

- 4.1. Vessels using gear types identified in point 3 and fishing in areas defined in point 1 shall hold a special fishing permit issued in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1627/94.
- 4.2. A Member State shall not permit fishing with a gear belonging to a grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3 in the area by any of its vessels which have no record of such fishing activity in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 or 2007 in that area unless it ensures that equivalent capacity, measured in kilowatts, is prevented from fishing in the regulated area.
- 4.3. However, a vessel with a track record of using a gear belonging to a grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3 may be authorised to use a different fishing gear, provided that the number of days allocated to this latter gear is greater than or equal to the number of days allocated to the first gear.
- 4.4. A vessel flying the flag of a Member State having no quotas in the area defined in point 1 shall not be permitted to fish in that area with a gear

belonging to a grouping of fishing gear defined in point 3, unless the vessel is allocated a quota after a transfer as permitted according to the Article 20(5) of Regulation (EC) No  $2371/2002 \ge C1$  and is allocated days at sea according to points 11 or 12 of this Annex.

#### 5. Limitations in activity

Each Member State shall ensure that, when carrying on board any of the groupings of fishing gear referred to in point 3, fishing vessels flying its flag and registered in the Community shall be present within the area for no more than the number of days set out in point 7.

#### 6. Exceptions

A Member State shall not count against the days allocated to any of its vessels under this Annex either any days when the vessel has been present within the area but unable to fish because it was assisting another vessel in need of emergency aid or any days when a vessel has been present within the area but unable to fish because it is transporting an injured person for emergency medical aid. The Member State shall provide justification to the Commission within one month of any decisions taken on this basis with associated evidence of the emergency from the competent authorities.

#### NUMBER OF DAYS PRESENT WITHIN THE AREA ALLOCATED TO FISHING VESSELS

#### 7. Maximum number of days

- 7.1. During the 2008 management period, the maximum number of days at sea for which a Member State may authorize a vessel flying its flag to be present within the area having carried on board and used any one of the fishing gears referred to in point 3 is shown in Table I.
- 7.2. During the 2008 management period, the number of days at sea for which a vessel is present within the total area covered by this Annex and Annex IIA shall not exceed the number shown in Table I of this Annex. However the number of days in which the vessel is present in the areas covered in Annex IIA shall comply with the maximum number fixed in accordance with Annex IIA.
- 7.3. During the 2008 management period, a Member State may manage its fishing effort allocation according to a kilowatt days system. By that system it may authorise any vessel concerned to be present within the area for a maximum number of days which is different from that set out in Table I for any one of the groupings of fishing gears laid down in that Table, provided that the overall amount of kilowatt days corresponding to such a grouping is respected.

For a specific grouping of fishing gears, the overall amount of kilowatt days shall be the sum of all individual fishing efforts allocated to the vessels flying the flag of the Member State concerned and qualified for that specific grouping. Such individual fishing efforts shall be calculated in kilowatt days by multiplying the engine power of each vessel by the number of days at sea it would benefit from, according to Table I, if the provisions of this point were not applied.

- 7.4. A Member State wishing to benefit from the provisions laid down in point 7.3 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for each grouping of fishing gears the details of the calculation based on
  - list of vessels authorized to fish by indicating their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - the number of days at sea for which each vessel would had initially been authorized to fish according to Table I and the number of days at sea which each vessel would benefit from in application of point 7.3.

On the basis of that description, the Commission may authorize that Member State to benefit from the provisions defined in point 7.3.

#### 8. Management periods

- 8.1. Member States may divide the days present within the area given in Table I into management periods of durations of one or more calendar months.
- 8.2. The number of days for which a vessel may be present within the area during a management period shall be fixed at the discretion of Member States concerned.
- 8.3. In any given management period a vessel that has used the number of days present within the area for which it is eligible shall remain in port or out of the area for the remainder of the management period unless it is using a gear for which no maximum number of days has been fixed.

## 9. Allocation of additional days for permanent cessations of fishing activities

9.1. An additional number of days at sea on which a vessel may be authorized by its flag Member State to be present within the geographical area when carrying on board any of the gears referred to in point 3 may be allocated to Member States by the Commission on the basis of permanent cessations of fishing activities that have taken place since 1 January 2004 either in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 or resulting from other circumstances duly motivated by Member States. The effort expended in 2003 measured in kilowatt days of the withdrawn vessels using the gear in question shall be divided by the effort expended by all vessels using that gear during 2003.

The additional number of days at sea shall be then calculated by multiplying the ratio so obtained by the number of days that would have been allocated according to Table I. Any part of a day resulting from this calculation shall be rounded to the nearest whole day.

This point shall not apply where a vessel has been replaced in accordance with point 4.2 or when the withdrawal has already been used in previous years to obtain additional days at sea.

- 9.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 9.1 shall submit a request to the Commission with reports in electronic format containing for each grouping of fishing gears the details of the calculation based on
  - lists of withdrawn vessels with their Community Fleet Register number (CFR) and their engine power;
  - the fishing activity deployed by such vessels in 2003 calculated in days at sea by concerned grouping of fishing gears.
- 9.3. On the basis of such a request the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 7.2 for that Member State in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 9.4. During the 2008 management period, a Member State may re-allocate those additional numbers of days at sea to all the vessels remaining in fleet and qualified for the relevant grouping of fishing gears or to part of them by applying, *mutatis mutandis*, the provisions laid down in points 7.3 and 7.4.
- 9.5. Any additional number of days resulting from a permanent cessation of activity previously allocated by the Commission remains allocated in 2008.

#### 10. Allocation of additional days for enhanced observer coverage

10.1. Three additional days on which a vessel may be present within the area when carrying onboard any of the groupings of fishing gear referred to in point 3 may be allocated between 1 February 2008 and 31 January 2009 to Member States by the Commission on the basis of an enhanced programme of observer coverage in partnership between scientists and the fishing industry. Such a programme shall focus in particular on levels of discarding and on catch composition and go beyond the requirements on data collection, as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000, Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 and Regulation (EC) No 1581/2004 for the minimum and extended programme levels.

Observers shall be independent from the owner of the vessel and shall not be a member of the fishing vessel crew.

- 10.2. Member States wishing to benefit from the allocations referred to in point 10.1 shall submit a description of their enhanced observer coverage programme to the Commission for approval.
- 10.3. On the basis of this description, and after consultation with STECF, the Commission may amend the number of days defined in point 7.1 for that Member State and for the vessels, the area and gear concerned by the enhanced programme of observers in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.
- 10.4. If such a programme submitted by a Member Stated has been approved by the Commission in the past and the Member State wishes to continue its application without changes, the Member State shall inform the Commission of the continuation of its enhanced observer coverage programme four weeks before the beginning of the period for which the programme applies.

#### Table I

Maximum number of days a vessel may be present within the area by fishing gear per year

Gear point 3	Denomination Only the gear groupings as defined in point 3 are used	Western Channel
3.a.	Beam trawls of mesh size $\geq 80 \text{ mm}$	192
3.b.	Static nets with mesh size $< 220$ mm	192

#### EXCHANGES OF FISHING EFFORT ALLOCATIONS

## 11. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of a Member State

- 11.1. A Member State may permit any of its fishing vessels flying its flag to transfer days present within the area for which it has been authorised to another of its vessels flying its flag within the area provided that the product of the days received by a vessel and its engine power in kilowatts (kilowatt days) is equal to or less than the product of the days transferred by the donor vessel and the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel. The engine power in kilowatts of the vessels shall be that recorded for each vessel in the Community fishing fleet register.
- 11.2. The total number of days present within the area, multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of the donor vessel, shall not be higher than the donor vessel's average annual days track record in the area as verified by the Community logbook in the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 multiplied by the engine power in kilowatts of that vessel.
- 11.3. The transfer of days as described in point 11.1 shall be permitted only between vessels operating within the same gear grouping referred to in point 3 and during the same management period.
- 11.4. On request from the Commission, Member States shall provide reports on the transfers that have taken place. A detailed format of spreadsheet for making these reports available to the Commission may be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

#### 12. Transfer of days between fishing vessels flying the flag of different Member States

Member States may permit transfer of days present within the area for the same management period and within the area between any fishing vessels flying their flags provided the same provisions as laid down in points 4.2, 4.4, 6 and 11 apply. Where Member States decide to authorize such a transfer, as a preliminary they shall notify the Commission before such transfers take place, the details of the transfer, including the number of days transferred, the fishing effort

and, where applicable, the fishing quotas relating thereto, as agreed between them.

#### USE OF FISHING GEAR

#### 13. Notification of fishing gear

Before the first day of each management period the master of a vessel or his representative shall notify to the authorities of the flag Member State which gear or gears he intends to use during the forthcoming management period. Until such notification is provided the vessel shall not be entitled to fish within the area defined in point 1 with any of the groupings of fishing gear referred to in point 3.

#### 14. Non-fishing related activities

In any given management period a vessel may undertake non-fishing related activities, without that time being counted against its days allocated under point 7, provided that the vessel first notifies its flag Member State of its intention to do so, the nature of its activity and that it surrenders its fishing licence for that time. Such vessels shall not carry any fishing gear or fish on board during that time.

#### TRANSIT

#### 15. Transit

A vessel shall be allowed to transit across the area provided that it has no fishing permit to operate in the area or it has first notified its authorities of its intention to do so. While that vessel is within the area any fishing gears carried on board must be lashed and stowed in accordance with conditions laid down in Article 20(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

### MONITORING, INSPECTION AND SURVEILLANCE

#### 16. Fishing effort messages

Articles 19b, 19c, 19d, 19e and 19k of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 shall apply to vessels carrying on board the groupings of fishing gear defined in point 3 of this Annex and operating in the area defined in point 1 of this Annex. Vessels equipped with vessel monitoring systems in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 shall be excluded from these hailing requirements set out in Article 19(c) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

#### 17. Recording of relevant data

Member States shall ensure that the following data received pursuant to Articles 8, 10(1) and 11(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 are recorded in a computer-readable form:

- (a) entry into, and exit from port;
- (b) each entry into, and exit from maritime areas where specific rules on access to waters and resources apply.

#### 18. Cross-checks

Member States shall verify the submission of logbooks and relevant information recorded in the logbook by using VMS data. Such crosschecks shall be recorded and made available to the Commission on request.

#### 19. Alternative control measures

Member States may implement alternative control measures to ensure compliance with the obligations referred to in point 16 which are as effective and transparent as these reporting obligations. Such alternative measures shall be notified to the Commission before being implemented.

#### 20. Prior notification of transhipments and landings

The master of a Community vessel or his representative wishing to tranship any quantity retained on board or to land in a port or landing location of a third-country shall inform the competent authorities of the flag Member State at least 24 hours prior to transhipping or to landing in a third-country the information referred to in Article 19b of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93.

# 21. Margin of tolerance in the estimation of quantities reported in the logbook

By way of derogation from Article 5(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2807/83, the permitted margin of tolerance, when estimating quantities, in kilograms retained on board of vessels referred to in point 16 shall be 8 % of the logbook figure. Where no conversion factors are laid down in Community legislation, the conversion factors adopted by the Member states whose flag the vessel is flying shall apply.

#### 22. Separate stowage

When quantities of sole greater than 50 kg are stowed on board a vessel, it shall be prohibited to retain on board a fishing vessel in any container any quantity of Sole mixed with any other species of marine organism. The masters of Community vessels shall give inspectors of Member States such assistance as will enable the quantities declared in the logbook and the catches of sole retained on board to be cross checked.

#### 23. Weighing

- 23.1. The competent authorities of a Member State shall ensure that any quantity of sole exceeding 300 kg caught in the area shall be weighed using auction room scales before sale.
- 23.2. The competent authorities of a Member State may require that any quantity of sole exceeding 300 kg caught in the area and first landed in that Member State is weighed in the presence of controllers before being transported from the port of first landing.

#### 24. Transport

By way of derogation from Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, quantities greater than 50 kg of any species in fisheries referred to in Article 8 of this Regulation which are transported to a place other than that of landing or import shall be accompanied by a copy of one of the declarations provided for in Article 8(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 pertaining to the quantities of these species transported. The exemption provided for in Article 13(4)(b) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 shall not apply.

#### 25. Specific monitoring programme

By way of derogation from Article 34c(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, the specific monitoring programme for any of the stocks in fisheries referred to in Article 8 of this Regulation may last more than two years from their date of entry into force.

#### **REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

#### 26. Collection of relevant data

Member States, on the basis of information used for the management of fishing days present within the area as set out in this Annex, shall collect for each annual quarter the information about total fishing effort deployed within the area for towed gears and static gears and effort deployed by vessels using different types of gear in the area concerned by this Annex.

#### 27. Communication of relevant data

27.1. On request of the Commission, Members States shall make available to the Commission a spreadsheet with the data referred to in point 26 in the format specified in Tables II and III by sending it to the appropriate electronic mailbox address, which shall be communicated to the Member States by the Commission.

27.2. A new format of spreadsheet for the purpose of making the data referred to in point 26 available to the Commission may be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002.

## Table II

### **Reporting format**

Cou- ntry	CFR	Exter- nal marki- ng	Length of mana- gement period	Area fished	Gear(s) notified			Special condition applying to notified gear(s)			Days eligible using notified gear(s)				Days spent with notified gear(s)			Tran- sfer of			
					N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		N°1	N°2	N°3		days
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(6)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(9)	(10)

#### Table III

#### Data format

	Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
(1)	Country	3	n/r	Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) in which vessel is registered for fishing under Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002. In the case of the donor Vessel, it is always the reporting country
(2)	CFR	12	n/r	Community Fleet Register number Unique identification number of a fishing vessel. Member State (Alpha-3 ISO code) followed by an identifying series (9 char- acters). Where a series has fewer than 9 characters additional zeros must be inserted on the left hand side.
(3)	External marking	14	L	Under Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87
(4)	Length of management period	2	L	Length of the management period measured in months.
(5)	Area fished	1	L	Non relevant information in the case of Annex IIC.
(6)	gear(s) notified	5	L	Indication of gear grouping notified in accordance with point 3 to Annex IIC (a or b)
(7)	Special condition applying to notified gear(s)	2	L	Non relevant information in the case of Annex IIC.
(8)	Days eligible using notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days for which the vessel is eligible under Annex IIC for the choice of gear groupings and length of management period notified.
(9)	Days spent with notified gear(s)	3	L	Number of days the vessel actually spent present within the area and using a gear corresponding to grouping gear notified during the notified management period according to Annex IIC.

Name of field	Maximum number of characters/digits	Alignment (*) L(eft)/R(ight)	Definition and Comments
(10) Transfers of days	4	L	For days transferred indicate '- number of days transferred' and for days received indicate '+ number of days transferred'

(\*) relevant information for transmission of data by fixed-length formatting.

#### ANNEX IID

#### FISHING OPPORTUNITIES AND FISHING EFFORT FOR VESSELS FISHING FOR SANDEEL IN ICES ZONES IIIa AND IV AND IN EC WATERS OF ICES ZONE IIa

- 1. The conditions laid down in this Annex shall apply to Community vessels fishing in ICES zones IIIa and IV and in EC waters of ICES zone IIa with demersal trawl, seine or similar towed gears with a mesh size of less than 16 mm.
- 2. The conditions laid down in this Annex shall apply to third country vessels authorized to fish for sandeel in EC waters of ICES zone IV unless otherwise specified, or as a consequence of consultations between the Community and Norway as set out in point 7.3 of the Agreed Record of conclusions between the European Community and Norway of 26 November 2007.
- 3. For the purposes of this Annex a day present within the area shall be:
  - (a) the 24-hour period between 00:00 hours of a calendar day and 24:00 hours of the same calendar day or any part of such a period or;
  - (b) any continuous period of 24 hours as recorded in the Community logbook between the date and time of departure and the date and time of arrival or any part of any such time period.
- 4. Each Member State concerned shall maintain a data base containing for ICES zones IIIa and IV and for each vessel flying its flag or registered within the Community which have been fishing with demersal trawl, seine or similar towed gears with a mesh size of less than 16 mm, the following information:
  - (a) the name and internal registration number of the vessel;
  - (b) the installed engine power of the vessel in kilowatts measured in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 2930/86;
  - (c) the number of days present within the area when fishing with demersal trawl, seine or similar towed gear with a mesh size of less than 16 mm;
  - (d) the kilowatt-days as the product of the number of days present within the area and the installed engine power in kilowatts.
- 5. Exploratory fishery relating to sandeel abundance shall start no earlier than 1 April 2008 and end no later than 6 May 2008.

The total ceiling of fishing effort allowed in the exploratory fishery relating to sandeel abundance in 2008 shall be determined on the basis of the total fishing effort deployed by Community fishing vessels in 2007 established in accordance with point 4 and shall be divided among Member States in accordance with the quota allocations for this TAC.

For the unallocated quota for this TAC, the fishing effort allowed in the exploratory fishery relating to sandeel abundance in 2008 shall be distributed to Member States whose vessels have a record of fishing activity in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 in that area. This will correspond to a share of fishing effort of 96 % for Sweden and a share of 4 % for Germany.

6. The TAC and quotas for sandeel in ICES zone IIIa and IV and in EC waters of ICES zones IIa as laid down in Annex I shall be revised by the Commission as early as possible based on advice from ICES and the STECF on the size of the 2007 year class of North Sea sandeel, taking into account the following principles as well as other relevant elements contained in the scientific advice:

The TAC for EC waters of ICES zones IIa and IV shall be established according to the following function:

TAC 
$$_{2008} = -138 + 3,77 \times N_1 \times Wobs/Wm$$

N1 is the real-time estimate of age group 1 in billions derived from the exploratory fishery in 2008; the TAC is expressed in 1,000 tonnes; Wobs is the observed mean weight of age group 1 during the exploratory fishery; and Wm (4,75 g) is the long-term mean weight of age group 1.

7. If the TAC calculated in point 6 exceeds 400 000 tonnes, the TAC shall be set at 400 000 tonnes.

 Commercial fishing with demersal trawl, seine or similar towed gears with a mesh size of less than 16 mm, shall be prohibited from 1 August 2008 until 31 December 2008.

#### ANNEX III

#### TRANSITIONAL TECHNICAL AND CONTROL MEASURES

#### Part A

North Atlantic including the North Sea, Skagerrak and Kattegat

#### 1. Fishing for Herring in EC waters of ICES zone IIa

It shall be prohibited to land or retain on board herring caught in EC waters of zone IIa in the periods 1 January to 28 February and 16 May to 31 December.

## 2. Technical conservation measures in the Skagerrak and in the Kattegat

By way of derogation from the provisions set out in Annex IV of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, the provisions in Appendix 1 to this Annex shall apply.

#### 3. Electric fishing in ices zones IVc and IVb

- 3.1. By way of derogation from Article 31(1) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98 fishing with beam trawl using electrical pulse current shall be allowed in ICES zones IVc and IVb south of a rhumb line joined by the following points, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:
  - a point on the east coast of the United Kingdom at latitude 55° N,
  - then east to latitude  $55^{\circ}$  N, longitude  $5^{\circ}$  E,
  - then north to latitude 56° N,
  - and finally east to a point on the west coast of Denmark at latitude  $56^\circ~\text{N}.$
- 3.2. The following measures shall apply in 2008:
  - (a) no more than 5 % of the beam trawler fleet by Member State shall be allowed to use the electric pulse trawl;
  - (b) the maximum electrical power in kW for each beam trawl shall be no more than the length in metre of the beam multiplied by 1,25;
  - (c) the effective voltage between the electrodes shall be no more than 15V;
  - (d) the vessel shall be equipped with an automatic computer management system which records the maximum power used per beam and the effective voltage between electrodes for at least the last 100 tows. It shall be not possible for non authorized person to modify this automatic computer management system;
  - (e) It shall be prohibited to use one or more tickler chains in front of the footrope.

#### 4. Closure of an area for sandeel fisheries in ices zone IV

- 4.1. It shall be prohibited to land or retain on board sandeels caught within the geographical area bounded by the east coast of England and Scotland, and enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:
  - the east coast of England at latitude 55°30'N,
  - latitude 55°30'N, longitude 1°00'W,
  - latitude 58°00'N, longitude 1°00'W,
  - latitude 58°00'N, longitude 2°00'W,
  - the east coast of Scotland at longitude 2°00'W.
- 4.2. Fisheries for scientific investigation shall be allowed in order to monitor the sandeel stock in the area and the effects of the closure.

#### 5. Rockall Haddock box in ices zone VI

All fishing, except with longlines, shall be prohibited in the areas enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:

Point No	Latitude	Longitude
1	57°00′N	15°00′W
2	57°00′N	14°00′W
3	56°30′N	14°00′W
4	56°30′N	15°00′W

However, in the part of the areas defined in this point which overlaps with the area defined as North West Rockall in point 13.1 the derogation as regards longlines shall not apply.

#### 6. Restrictions on fishing for cod in ICES zones VI and VII

6.1. ICES zone VIa

Until 31 December 2008, it shall be prohibited to conduct any fishing activity within the areas enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:

59°05'N, 06°45'W

59°30'N, 06°00'W

59°40'N, 05°00'W

 $60^\circ00' \mathrm{N},~04^\circ00' \mathrm{W}$ 

59°30'N, 04°00'W

59°05'N, 06°45'W.

6.2. ICES zones VII f and g

From 1 February 2008 until 31 March 2008, it shall be prohibited to conduct any fishing activity in the following ICES rectangles: 30E4, 31E4, 32E3. This prohibition shall not apply within 6 nautical miles from the baseline.

- 6.3. By way of derogation from points 6.1. and 6.2. it shall be permitted to conduct fishing activities using pots and creels within the specified areas and time periods, provided that:
  - (i) no fishing gear other than pots and creels are carried on board, and
  - (ii) no fish other than shellfish and crustacea are retained on board.
- 6.4. By way of derogation from points 6.1. and 6.2., it shall be permitted to conduct fishing activities within the areas referred to in those points using nets of mesh size less than 55 mm, provided that:
  - (i) no net of mesh size greater than or equal to 55 mm is carried on board, and
  - (ii) no fish other than herring, mackerel, pilchard/sardines, sardinelles, horse mackerel, sprat, blue whiting and argentines are retained on board.

#### 7. Technical conservation measures in the Irish Sea

- 7.1. In the period from 14 February 2008 to 30 April 2008 it shall be prohibited to use any demersal trawl, seine or similar towed net, any gill net, trammel net, tangle net or similar static net or any fishing gear incorporating hooks within that part of ICES division VIIa enclosed by:
  - the east coast of Ireland and the east coast of Northern Ireland and
  - straight lines sequentially joining the following geographical coordinates:

- a point on the east coast of the Ards peninsula in Northern Ireland at  $54^{\circ}$  30' N,
- 54° 30' N, 04° 50' W,
- 53° 15′ N, 04° 50′ W,
- a point on the east coast of Ireland at 53° 15' N.
- 7.2. By way of derogation from point 7.1, within the area and time period referred to therein:
  - (a) the use of demersal otter trawls shall be permitted provided that no other type of fishing gear is retained on board and that such nets:
    - (i) are of mesh size either 70 mm to 79 mm or 80 mm to 99 mm, and
    - (ii) are of only one of the permitted mesh size ranges, and
    - (iii) incorporate no individual mesh, irrespective of its position within the net, of mesh size greater than 300 mm, and
    - (iv) are deployed only within an area enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following coordinates:

53° 30' N, 05° 30' W 53° 30' N, 05° 20' W 54° 20' N, 04° 50' W 54° 30' N, 05° 10' W 54° 30' N, 05° 10' W 54° 00' N, 05° 20' W 54° 00' N, 06° 10' W 53° 45' N, 06° 10' W 53° 45' N, 05° 30' W

- (b) the use of separator trawls shall be permitted provided that no other type of fishing gear is retained on board and that such nets:
  - (i) comply with the conditions laid down in subparagraph (a)(i) to (iv), and
  - (ii) are constructed in conformity with the technical details provided in the Annex of Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2002 of 12 February 2002 establishing measures to be applicable in 2002 for the recovery of the stock of cod in the Irish Sea (ICES division VIIa) (<sup>1</sup>).

Furthermore, separator trawls may also be used within an area enclosed by rhumb lines sequentially joining the following coordinates:

- 53° 45' N, 06° 00' W
- 53° 45' N, 05° 30' W
- $53^\circ~30'$  N,  $05^\circ~30'$  W
- 53° 30' N, 06° 00' W
- 53° 45' N, 06° 00' W.
- 7.3. The technical conservation measures referred to in Articles 3 and 4 of Regulation (EC) No 254/2002 shall apply.

## 8. Use of gillnets in ICES Zones IIIa, IVa, Vb, VIa, Vlb, VII b, c, j, k and XII

8.1. For the purposes of this point, gillnet and entangling net means a gear made up of a single piece of net and held vertically in the water. It catches living aquatic resources by gilling, entangling or enmeshing.

- 8.2. For the purposes of this point, trammel net means a gear made up of two or more pieces of net hung jointly in parallel on a single headline and held vertically in the water.
- 8.3. Community vessels shall not deploy gillnets, entangling nets and trammel nets at any position where the charted depth is greater than 200 metres in ICES Zones IIIa, IVa, Vb, VIa, VIb, VII b, c, j, k and XII east of 27° W.
- 8.4. By way of derogation from point 8.3 it shall be permitted to use the following gear:
  - (a) Gillnets with a mesh size equal to or greater than 120 mm and less than 150 mm provided that they are deployed in waters of less than 600 metres charted depth, are no more than 100 meshes deep, have a hanging ratio of not less than 0,5, and are rigged with floats or equivalent floatation. The nets shall each be of a maximum of 5 nautical miles in length, and the total length of all nets deployed at any one time shall not exceed 25 km per vessel. The maximum soak time shall be 24 hours; or
  - (b) Entangling nets with a mesh size equal to or greater than 250 mm, provided that they are deployed in waters of less than 600 metres charted depth, are no more than 15 meshes deep, have a hanging ratio of not less than 0,33, and are not rigged with floats or other means of floatation. The nets shall each be of a maximum of 10 km in length. The total length of all nets deployed at any one time shall not exceed 100 km per vessel. The maximum soak time shall be 72 hours.

However, this derogation shall not apply in the NEAFC Regulatory Area.

- 8.5. Only one of the types of gear described in points 8.4.(a) and 8.4.(b) shall be carried aboard the vessel at any one time. To allow for the replacement of lost or damaged gear, vessels may carry on board nets with a total length 20 % greater than the maximum length of the fleets that may be deployed at any one time. All gear shall be marked in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 356/2005 of 1 March 2005 laying down detailed rules for the marking and identification of passive fishing gear and beam trawls (<sup>1</sup>).
- 8.6. All vessels deploying gillnets or entangling nets at any position where the charted depth is greater than 200 metres in ICES Zones IIIa, IVa, Vb, VIa, VIb, VII b, c, j, k and XII east of 27° W must hold a special fixed net fishing permit issued by the flag Member State.
- 8.7. The master of a vessel with a fixed net permit referred to in point 8.6 shall record in the logbook the amount and lengths of gear carried by a vessel before it leaves port and when it returns to port, and must account for any discrepancy between the two quantities.
- 8.8. The naval services or other competent authorities shall have the right to remove unattended gear at sea in ICES Zones IIIa, IVa, Vb, VIa, VIb, VII b, c, j, k and XII east of 27° W in the following situations:
  - (a) the gear is not properly marked;
  - (b) the buoy markings or VMS data indicate that the owner has not been located at a distance less than 100 nautical miles from the gear for more than 120 hours;
  - (c) the gear is deployed in waters with a charted depth greater than that permitted;
  - (d) the gear is of an illegal mesh size.
- 8.9. The master of a vessel with a fixed net permit referred to in point 8.6 shall be recorded in the logbook the following information during each fishing trip:
  - The mesh size of the net deployed,
  - The nominal length of one net,
  - The number of nets in a fleet,

 $<sup>(^1)</sup>$  OJ L 56, 2.3.2005, p. 8. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1805/2005 (OJ L 290, 4.11.2005, p. 12).

- The total number of fleets deployed,
- Position of each fleet deployed,
- The depth of each fleet deployed,
- The soak time of each fleet deployed,
- The quantity of any gear lost, its last known position and date of loss.
- 8.10. Vessels fishing with a fixed net permit referred to in point 8.6 shall only be permitted to land in the ports designated by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) 2347/2002.
- 8.11. The quantity of sharks retained on board by any vessel using the gear type described in point 8.4.(b) shall be no more than 5 % by live-weight of the total quantity of marine organisms retained on board.

### 9. Reduction of whiting discards in the North Sea

- 9.1. In the North Sea, Member States shall undertake in 2008 trials and experiments as necessary on technical adaptations of the trawls, Danish seines or similar gears with a mesh size equal to or greater than 80 mm and less than 90 mm in order to reduce the discards of whiting by at least 30 %.
- 9.2. Member States shall make the results of the trials and experiments laid down in point 9.1 available to the Commission no later than 31 August 2008.
- 9.3. The Council shall, on the basis of a proposal from the Commission, decide on appropriate technical adaptations to reduce discards of whiting in conformity with the objective laid down in point 9.1.

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#### 9a. Reduction of cod discards in the North Sea

- 1. Member States which hold a cod quota shall undertake trials in 2008 on technical measures for towed gears to reduce the proportion, in number, of cod that is discarded to no more than 10 %.
- 2. Member States shall make the results of the trials laid down in point 9a.1 available to the Commission before 31 December 2008.

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# Condition for fisheries with certain towed gears authorised in the Bay of Biscay, ICES zones III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIIIa, b, d, e

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- 10.1 By way of derogation of the provisions laid down in Article 5(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 494/2002 of 19 March 2002 establishing additional technical measures for recovery of the stock of hake in ICES zones III, IV, V, VI and VII and ICES zones VIII a, b, d, e (<sup>1</sup>), it shall be permitted to conduct fishing activity using trawls, Danish seines and similar gears, except beam trawls, of mesh size range 70 to 99 mm in the area defined in Article 5(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 494/2002 if the gear is fitted with a square mesh window in accordance with Appendix 3 to this Annex.
- 10.2 When fishing in zone VIII a and b it shall be permitted to use a selective grid and its attachments in front of the codend and/or a square mesh panel with a mesh size equal or more than 60mm in the lower part of the extension piece in front of the codend. The provisions laid down in Articles 4(1), 6 and 9(1) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98 and in Article 3(a) and (b) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 494/2002 shall not apply as regards the section of the trawl where those selective devices are inserted.

#### 11. Restrictions on fishing for roundnose grenadier in ICES zone IIIa

Notwithstanding Regulation 2015/2006, no directed fishery for roundnose grenadier shall be conducted in ICES zone IIIa pending consultations between the European Community and Norway in early 2008.

(1) OJ L 77, 20.3.2002, p. 8.

#### 12. Fishing effort for deep sea species

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By way of derogation from Regulation (EC) No 2347/2002, the following shall apply in 2008:

- 12.1. Member States shall ensure that fishing activities which lead to catches and retention on board of more than 10 tonnes each calendar year of deep-sea species and of Greenland halibut by vessels flying their flag and registered in their territory shall be subject to a deep-sea fishing permit.
- 12.2. It shall however be prohibited to catch and retain on board, tranship or to land any aggregate quantity of the deep sea species and of Greenland halibut in excess of 100 kg in each sea trip, unless the vessel in question holds a deep-sea permit.

#### 13. Interim measures for the protection of vulnerable deep-sea habitats

13.1. It shall be prohibited to conduct bottom trawling and fishing with static gear, including bottom set gill-nets and long-lines, within the areas enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:

The Hecate Seamounts:

- 52° 21.2866' N, 31° 09.2688' W
- 52° 20.8167' N, 30° 51.5258' W
- 52° 12.0777' N, 30° 54.3824' W
- 52° 12.4144' N, 31° 14.8168' W
- 52° 21.2866' N, 31° 09.2688' W

The Faraday Seamounts:

- 50° 01.7968' N, 29° 37.8077' W
- 49° 59.1490' N, 29° 29.4580' W
- 49° 52.6429' N, 29° 30.2820' W
- 49° 44.3831' N, 29° 02.8711' W
- 49° 44.4186' N, 28° 52.4340' W
- 49° 36.4557' N, 28° 39.4703' W
- 49° 29.9701' N, 28° 45.0183' W
- 49° 49.4197' N, 29° 42.0923' W
- 50° 01.7968' N, 29° 37.8077' W

Part of the Reykjanes Ridge:

- 55° 04.5327' N, 36° 49.0135' W
- 55° 05.4804' N, 35° 58.9784' W
- 54° 58.9914' N, 34° 41.3634' W
- 54° 41.1841' N, 34° 00.0514' W
- 54° 00.0'N, 34° 00.0' W
- 53° 54.6406' N, 34° 49.9842' W
- 53° 58.9668' N, 36° 39.1260' W

The Altair Seamounts:

- 44° 50.4953' N, 34° 26.9128' W
- 44° 47.2611' N, 33° 48.5158' W
- 44° 31.2006' N, 33° 50.1636' W

44° 38.0481' N, 34° 11.9715' W
44° 38.9470' N, 34° 27.6819' W
44° 50.4953' N, 34° 26.9128' W
The Antialtair Seamounts:
43° 43.1307' N, 22° 44.1174' W
43° 39.5557' N, 22° 19.2335' W
43° 31.2802' N, 22° 08.7964' W
43° 27.7335' N, 22° 14.6192' W
43° 30.9616' N, 22° 32.0325' W
43° 40.6286' N, 22° 47.0288' W

- 43° 43.1307' N, 22° 44.1174' W

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## Hatton Bank:

— 59° 26' N, 14° 30' W - 59° 12′ N, 15° 08′ W — 59° 01' N, 17° 00' W — 58° 50' N, 17° 38' W — 58° 30' N, 17° 52' W — 58° 30′ N, 18° 22′ W — 58° 03' N, 18° 22' W — 58° 03' N, 17° 30' W — 57° 55' N, 17° 30' W — 57° 45′ N, 19° 15′ W — 58° 30' N, 18° 45' W — 58° 47' N, 18° 37' W — 59° 05' N, 17° 32' W — 59° 16' N, 17° 20' W - 59° 22' N, 16° 50' W — 59° 21' N, 15° 40' W

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#### North West Rockall:

57° 00' N, 14° 53' W
57° 37' N, 14° 42' W
57° 55' N, 14° 24' W
58° 15' N, 13° 50' W
57° 57' N, 13° 09' W
57° 50' N, 13° 14' W
57° 57' N, 13° 45' W
57° 49' N, 14° 06' W
57° 22' N, 14° 19' W
57° 00' N, 14° 34' W
56° 56' N, 14° 36' W
56° 56' N, 14° 51' W

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South-West Rockall (Empress of Britain Bank)

- 56° 24' N, 15° 37' W
- 56° 21′ N, 14° 58′ W
- 56° 04' N, 15° 10' W
- 55° 51′ N, 15° 37′ W
- 56° 10′ N, 15° 52′ W

Logachev Mound:

- 55°17′ N 16°10′ W
- 55°33′ N 16°16′ W
- 55°50' N 15°15' W
- 55°58' N 15°05' W
- 55°54' N 14°55' W
- 55°45′ N 15°12′ W
- 55°34′ N 15°07′ W

West Rockall Mound:

- 57° 20' N, 16° 30' W
- 57° 05' N, 15° 58' W
- 56° 21′ N, 17° 17′ W
- 56° 40′ N, 17° 50′ W
- 13.2. It shall be prohibited to conduct bottom trawling and fishing with static gear, including bottom set gill-nets and long-lines, within the areas enclosed by sequentially joining with rhumb lines the following positions, which shall be measured according to the WGS84 coordinate system:

Belgica Mound Province:

- 51°29,4' N; 11°51,6' W
- 51°32,4′ N; 11°41,4′ W
- 51°15,6' N; 11° 33' W
- 51°13,8' N; 11°44,4' W

Hovland Mound Province:

- 52°16,2' N; 13°12,6' W
- 52° 24' N; 12°58,2' W
- 52°16,8' N; 12° 54' W
- 52°16,8' N; 12°29,4' W
- 52°4,2' N; 12°29,4' W
- 52°4,2' N; 12°52,8' W
- 52° 9′ N; 12°56,4′ W
- 52° 9′ N; 13°10,8′ W

North-West Porcupine Bank Area I

- 53°30,6' N; 14°32,4' W
- 53°35,4' N; 14°27,6' W
- 53°40,8' N; 14°15,6' W
- 53°34,2' N; 14°11,4' W
- 53°31,8' N; 14°14,4' W
- 53° 24' N; 14°28,8' W

North-West Porcupine Bank Area II

- 53°43,2' N; 14°10,8' W
- 53°51,6' N; 13°53,4' W
- 53°45,6' N; 13°49,8' W
- 53°36,6' N; 14°7,2' W

South-West Porcupine Bank:

- 51°54,6' N; 15°7,2' W
- 51°54,6' N; 14°55,2' W
- 51° 42′ N; 14°55,2′ W
- 51° 42′ N; 15°10,2′ W
- 51°49,2′ N; 15° 6′ W
- 13.3 All Pelagic Vessels fishing in the protected areas for corals set out in point 13.2 must be on an authorised list of vessels and be issued with a special fishing permit which must be held onboard. Such permits shall include all information required in Regulation (EC) No 1627/94 and must be notified following the rules defined in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2943/95 setting out detailed rules for applying Regulation (EC) No 1627/94. Vessels included in the authorised list shall carry on board exclusively pelagic gear.
- 13.4. Pelagic vessels intending to fish in a protected area for corals as set out in point 13.2 must give 4 hours advance notification of their intention to enter a protected area for corals to the Irish FMC. They shall at the same time notify quantities retained on board.
- 13.5. Pelagic vessels fishing in a protected area for corals as set out in point 13.2 must have an operational, fully functioning secure VMS which complies fully with Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 when in a protected area for corals.
- 13.6. Pelagic vessels fishing in a protected area for corals as set out in point 13.2 must make VMS reports every hour.
- 13.7. Pelagic vessels who have concluded fishing in a protected area for corals as set out in point 13.2 must inform the Irish FMC on departure from the area. They shall at the same time notify quantities retained on board.
- 13.8. Fishing for pelagic species in a protected area for corals as set out in point 13.2 is restricted to having onboard or fishing with nets with a mesh size in the range of 16 mm to 31 mm or 32 mm to 54 mm.

#### 14. Minimum size of Short-necked clam

By way of derogation from Article 17 of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, the minimum size for short-necked clam (*Ruditapes philippinarum*) shall be 35 mm.

#### Part B

#### Eastern Central Atlantic

#### 15. Minimum size for octopus

The minimum size for octopus (*Octopus vulgaris*) in the maritime waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of third countries and situated in the CECAF (FAO Fishery Committee for the Eastern Central Atlantic) region shall be 450 g (gutted). Octopus under the minimum size of 450 g (gutted) shall not be retained on board or be transhipped, landed, transported, stored, sold, displayed or offered for sale, but shall be returned immediately to the sea.

#### 16. Condition for certain creel fisheries in zone IXa (West Galicia)

By way of derogation from the prohibition laid down in Article 29b(1) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98, fishing with creels that do not catch Norway lobster shall be authorized in the geographical areas and during the period set out in Article 29b(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98.

#### 17. Conditions for fishing for herring in zone VIa (Butt of Lewis)

The provisions laid down in Article 20(1)(d) of Regulation (EC) No 850/98 shall not apply in 2008.

#### Part C

#### Eastern Pacific Ocean

#### 18. Purse seines in the Regulatory Area of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC)

- 18.1. The fishing by purse-seine vessels for zellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) and skipjack tunas (*Katsuwonus pelamis*) shall be prohibited from either, 1 August to 11 September 2008, or, 20 November to 31 December 2008 in the area defined by the following limits:
  - the Pacific coastlines of the Americas,
  - longitude 150° W,
  - latitude 40° N,
  - latitude 40° S.
- 18.2. The Member States concerned shall notify the Commission of the selected period of closure before 1 July 2008. All the purse seine vessels of the Member States concerned must stop purse-seine fishing in the defined area during the period selected.
- 18.3. As of ... (<sup>1</sup>) purse seiners fishing for tuna in the Regulatory Area of the IATTC shall retain on board and then land all bigeye, skipjack and yellowfin tuna caught, except fish considered unfit for human consumption for reasons other than size. A single exception shall be the final set of a trip, when there may be insufficient well space remaining to accommodate all the tuna caught in that set.

#### Part D

Eastern Pacific Ocean and Western and Central Pacific Ocean

# 19. Special measures for the Eastern, Western and Central Pacific Ocean

In the Eastern, Western and Central Pacific Ocean purse seine vessels shall promptly release unharmed, to the extent practicable, all sea turtles, sharks, billfishes, rays, dorado, and other non-target species. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of any such animals.

#### 20. Specific measures applying to encircled or entangled sea turtles

In the Eastern, Western and Central Pacific Ocean the following specific measures shall apply:

- (a) whenever a sea turtle is sighted in the net, all reasonable efforts shall be made to rescue the turtle before it becomes entangled in the net, including, if necessary, the deployment of a speedboat;
- (b) if a turtle is entangled in the net, net roll should stop as soon as the turtle comes out of the water and should not start again until the turtle has been disentangled and released;
- (c) if a turtle is brought on board a vessel, all appropriate methods to assist in the recovery of the turtle should be made before returning it to the water;
- (d) tuna-fishing vessels shall be prohibited from disposing of salt bags or any other type of plastic rubbish at sea;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ: the date of entry into force of this Regulation.

- (e) the release, when practicable, of sea turtles entangled in Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs) and other fishing gear is encouraged;
- (f) the recovery of FADs which are not being used in the fishery is also encouraged.

#### Part E

#### North East Atlantic

# 21. Special measures for the redfish fishery in international waters of ICES zones I and II

The following measures shall apply to the fishery for redfish (Sebastes mentella) in international waters of ICES zones I and II:

- (a) A directed fishery for redfish is only permitted within the period from 1 September to 15 November 2008 by vessels which have previously been engaged in the redfish fishery in the NEAFC Regulatory Area.
- (b) The Commission shall inform Member States of the date on which the Secretariat of NEAFC has notified NEAFC Contracting Parties that the TAC has been fully utilised. From this date Member States shall prohibit directed fishery for redfish by vessels flying their flag.
- (c) By way of derogation from Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999 of 16 December 1999 laying down certain control measures applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the north-east Atlantic fisheries (<sup>1</sup>) masters of fishing vessels engaged in this fishery shall report their catches on a daily basis.
- (d) In addition to the provisions of Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999, an authorisation to fish for redfish shall only be valid if the reports are transmitted by vessels in accordance with Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999 are forwarded to the NEAFC Secretariat in accordance with Article 6(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999
- (e) Vessels shall limit their by-catches of redfish in other fisheries to a maximum of 1 % of the total catch retained on board.
- (f) Member States shall ensure that scientific information is collected by scientific observers on board vessels flying their flag. As a minimum the information collected shall include representative sex, age and length composition data by depths. This information shall be reported to ICES.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 337, 30.12.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 770/2004 (OJ L 123, 27.4.2004, p. 4)

#### Appendix 1 to Annex III

#### **TOWED GEARS: Skagerrak and Kattegat**

Mesh size ranges, target species and required catch percentages applicable to the use of a single mesh size range

	Mesh size range (mm)							
	< 16 16-31 32-69				-69	35-69	70-89 (5)	≥ 90
Species	Minimum percentage of target species							
	50 % (6)	50 % (6)	20 % (6)	50 % (6)	20 % (6)	20 % (7)	30 % (8)	none
Sandeel (Ammodytidae) ( <sup>3</sup> )	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Sandeel (Ammodytidae) (4)		х		х	х	х	х	х
Norway pout (Trisopterus esmarkii)		x		х	x	x	x	x
Blue whiting (Micromesistius poutassou)		х		х	х	х	х	x
Greater weever (Trachinus draco) (1)		х		х	х	х	x	x
Molluscs (except Sepia) (1)		х		х	х	х	x	x
Garfish (Belone belone) (1)		х		х	х	х	x	x
Gray gurnard ( <i>Eutrigla</i> gurnardus) ( <sup>1</sup> )				х	х	х	х	x
Argentine (Argentina spp.)		x		х	x	x	x	x
Sprat (Sprattus sprattus)								
Eel (Anguilla, anguilla)			х	х	х	х	х	х
Common shrimp/Baltic shrimp (Crangon spp., Palaemon adspersus) ( <sup>2</sup> )			х	х	х	х	х	х
Mackerel (Scomber spp.)			х				х	x
Horse mackerel (Trachurus spp.)			х				x	x
Herring (Clupea harengus)			х				х	x
Northern shrimp (Pandalus borealis)						х	х	x
Common shrimp/Baltic shrimp (Crangon spp., Palaemon adspersus) ( <sup>1</sup> )					Х		х	x
Whiting (Merlangius merlangus)							x	x
Norway lobster ( <i>Nephrops</i> norvegicus)							х	x
All other marine organisms								х

Only within four miles from the baselines.
 Outside four miles from the baselines.

(4) From 1 November to the last day of February in Skagerrak and from 1 August to the last day of February in Kattegat.

(5) When applying this mesh size range the codend shall be constructed of square meshed netting with a sorting grid in accordance with Appendix 2 to this Annex.

(6) The catch retained on board shall consist of no more than 10 % of any mixture of cod, haddock, hake, plaice, witch, lemon sole, sole, turbot, brill, flounder, mackerel, megrim, whiting, dab, saithe, Norway lobster and lobster.

(7) The catch retained on board shall consist of no more than 50 % of any mixture of cod, haddock, hake, plaice, witch, lemon sole, sole, turbot, brill, flounder, herring, mackerel, megrim, whiting, dab, saithe, Norway lobster and lobster.

(8) The catch retained on board shall consist of no more than 60 % of any mixture of cod, haddock, hake, plaice, witch, lemon sole, sole, turbot, brill, flounder, megrim, whiting, dab, saithe and lobster.

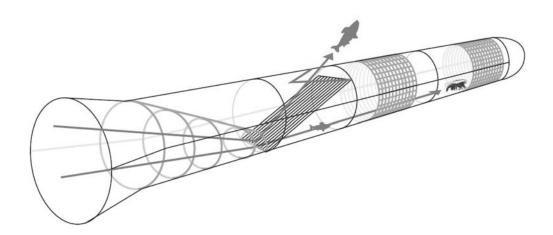
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<sup>(3)</sup> From 1 March to 31 October in Skagerrak and from 1 March to 31 July in Kattegat.

#### Appendix 2 to Annex III

#### Specifications for the Sorting grid for 70 mm trawl fishery

- (a) The species selective grid shall be attached in trawls with full square mesh codend with a mesh size equal to or larger than 70 mm and smaller than 90 mm. The minimum length of the codend shall be 8 m. It shall be prohibited to use any trawl having more than 100 square meshes in any circumference of the codend, excluding the joining or the selvedges.
- (b) The grid shall be rectangular. The bars of the grid shall be parallel to the longitudinal axis of the grid. The bar spacing of the grid shall not exceed 35 mm. It shall be permitted to use one or more hinges in order to facilitate its storage on the net drum.
- (c) The grid shall be mounted diagonally in the trawl, upwards backwards, anywhere from just in front of the codend to the anterior end of the untapered section. All sides of the grid shall be attached to the trawl.
- (d) In the upper panel of the trawl there shall be an unblocked fish outlet in immediate connection to the upper side of the grid. The opening of the fish outlet shall have the same width in the posterior side as the width of the grid and shall be cut out to a tip in the anterior direction along mesh bars from both sides of the grid.
- (e) It shall be permitted to attach in front of the grid a funnel to lead the fish towards the trawl floor and grid. The minimum mesh size of the funnel shall be 70 mm. The minimum vertical opening of the guiding funnel towards the grid shall be 15 cm. The width of the guiding funnel towards the grid shall be the grid width.



Schematic illustration of a size and species selective trawl. Entering fish is led towards the trawl floor and grid via a leading funnel. Larger fish is then led out of the trawl by the grid while smaller fish and Norway lobster pass through the grid and enter the codend. The full square mesh codend enhance escapement of small fish and undersized Norway lobster.

#### Appendix 3 to Annex III

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# Condition for fisheries with certain towed gears authorised in the Bay of Biscay, ICES zones III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIIIa, b, d, e

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(a) Specifications of the top square mesh window

Specifications of 100 mm, measured as inner opening, square mesh window in the rear tapered section of the trawl, Danish seine or similar gear with a mesh size equal to or larger than 70 mm and smaller than 100 mm.

The window shall be a rectangular section of netting. There shall be only one window. The window shall not be obstructed in any way by either internal or external attachments.

(b) Location of the window

The window shall be inserted into the middle of the top panel of the rear tapered section of the trawl just in front of the untapered section constituted by the extension piece and the codend.

The window shall terminate not more than 12 meshes from the hand braided row of meshes between the extension piece and the rear tapered section of the trawl.

(c) Size of the window

The length and the width of the window shall be at least 2 m and at least 1 m respectively.

(d) Netting of the window

The meshes shall have a minimum mesh opening of 100 mm. The meshes will be square meshes, i.e. all four sides of the window netting shall be cut all bars.

The netting shall be mounted such that the bars run parallel and perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the codend.

The netting shall be single twine. The twine thickness shall be not more than 4 mm.

(e) Insertion of the window into the diamond meshes netting

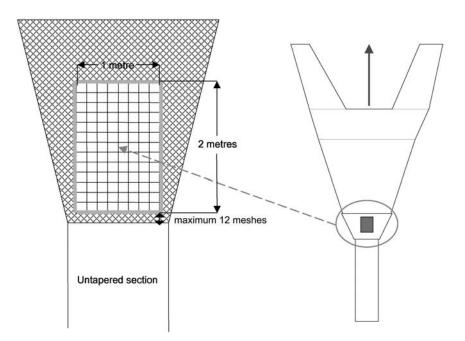
It shall be permitted to attach a selvedge on the four sides of the window. The diameter of this selvedge shall be no more than 12 mm.

The stretched length of the window shall be equal to the strength length of the diamond meshes attached to the longitudinal side of the window.

The number of diamond meshes of the top panel attached to the smallest side of the window (i.e. one metre long side which is perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the codend) shall be at least the number of full diamond meshes attached to the longitudinal side of the window divided by 0,7.

## (f) Other

The insertion of the window into the trawl is illustrated below.



## ANNEX IV

## PART I

Quantitative limitations of licences and fishing permits for Community vessels fishing in third country waters

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of licences	Allocation of licences amongst Member States	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Norwegian waters and fishery zone around Jan Mayen	Herring, North of 62°00'N	93	DK: 32, DE: 6, FR: 1, IRL: 9, NL: 11, SW: 12, UK: 21, PL: 1	69
	Demersal species, North of 62°00'N	80	FR: 18, PT: 9, DE: 16, ES: 20, UK: 14, IRL: 1	50
	Mackerel, South of 62°00'N, purse seine fishery	11	DE: 1 ( <sup>1</sup> ), DK: 26 ( <sup>1</sup> ), FR: 2 ( <sup>1</sup> ), NL: 1 ( <sup>1</sup> )	not relevant
	Mackerel, South of 62°00'N, trawl fishery	19		not relevant
	Mackerel, North of 62°00'N, purse seine fishery	11 (2)	DK: 11	not relevant
	Industrial species, South of 62°00'N	480	DK: 450, UK: 30	150
Waters of the Faroe Islands	All trawl fisheries with vessels of not more than 180 feet in the zone between 12 and 21 miles from the Faroese baselines	26	BE: 0, DE: 4, FR: 4, UK: 18	13
	Directed fishing for cod and haddock with a minimum mesh of 135 mm, restricted to the area south of 62°28'N and east of 6°30'W	8 (3)		4
	Trawling outside 21 miles from the Faroese baseline. In the periods 1 March to 31 May and 1 October to 31 December, these vessels may operate in the area between 61°20'N and 62°00'N and between 12 and 21 miles from the baselines.	70	BE: 0, DE: 10, FR: 40, UK: 20	26
	Trawl fisheries for blue ling with a minimum mesh of 100 mm in the area south of 61°30'N and west of 9°00'W and in the area between 7°00'W and 9°00'W south of 60°30'N and in the area south-west of a line between 60°30'N, 7°00'W and 60°00'N, 6°00'W.	70	DE: 8 ( <sup>4</sup> ), FR: 12 ( <sup>4</sup> ), UK: 0 ( <sup>4</sup> )	20 (5)
	Directed trawl fishery for saithe with a minimum mesh size of 120 mm and with the possibility to use round-straps around the codend.	70		22 (5)
	Fisheries for blue whiting. The total number of licences may be increased by four vessels to form pairs, should the Faroese autho- rities introduce special rules of	36	DE: 3, DK: 19, FR: 2, UK: 5, NL: 5	20

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of licences	Allocation of licences amongst Member States	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
	access to an area called 'main fishing area of blue whiting'			
	Line fishing	10	UK: 10	6
	Fishing for mackerel	12	DK: 12	12
	Herring fisheries north of 61°N	21	DE: 1, DK: 7, FR: 0, UK: 5, IRL: 2, NL: 3, SW: 3	21

This allocation is valid for purse and trawl fisheries.
 To be selected from the 11 licences for purse seine fishery for mackerel South of 62°00'N.
 Following the Agreed Record of 1999, the figures for the Directed fishing for cod and haddock are included in the figures for 'All trawl fisheries with vessels of not more than 180 feet in the zone between 12 and 21 miles from the Faroese baselines'.
 These figures are included in the figures for 'Trawling outside 21 miles from the Faroese baselines'.

## PART II

Quantitative limitations of licences and fishing permits for third-country fishing vessels in Community waters

Flag State	Fishery	Number of licences	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Norway	Herring, North of 62°00'N	20	20
Faeroe Islands	Mackerel, VIa (north of 56°30'N), VIIe, f,h, horse mackerel, IV, VIa (north of 56°30'N), VIIe, f,h; herring, VIa (north of 56°30'N)	14	14
	Herring north of 62°00'N	21	21
	Herring, IIIa	4	4
	Industrial fishing for Norway pout and sprat, IV, VIa (north of 56°30'N): sandeel, IV (including unavoidable by-catches of blue whiting)	15	15
	Ling and tusk	20	10
	Blue whiting, II, VIa (north of 56°30'N), VIb, VII (west of 12°00'W)	20	20
	Blue ling	16	16
Venezuela	Snappers (1) (French Guyana waters)	41	pm
	Sharks (French Guyana waters)	4	pm

(1) To be fished exclusively with long lines or traps (snappers) or long lines or mesh nets having a minimum mesh of 100 mm, at depths greater than 30 m (sharks). To issue these licences, proof must be produced that a valid contract exists between the ship owner applying for the licence and a processing undertaking situated in the Department of French Guyana, and that it includes and obligation to land at least 75 % of all snapper catches, or 50 % of all shark catches from the vessel concerned in that department so that they may be processed in that undertaking's plant.

The contract referred to above must be endorsed by the French authorities, which shall ensure that it is consistent both with the actual capacity of the contracting processing undertaking and with the objectives for the development of the Guyanese economy. A copy of the duly endorsed contract shall be appended to the licence application.

Where the endorsement referred to above is refused, the French authorities shall give notification of this refusal and state their reasons for it to the party concerned and to the Commission.

## PART III

## Declaration pursuant to Article 25(2)

	LANDING DE	ECLARATION ( <sup>1</sup> )		
Name of vessel: Name of master: Master's signature: Voyage made from the		to the	Registration No: Name of agent:	
Port of landing:				
	Quantity of shrimps l	landed (in live-weight)		
"Head-off" shrimps: or ( x 1,6) =	kg kg (head-on shrimps)			
"Head-on" shrimps:	kg			
Thunnidae: kg		Snapper (Lutjanidae):	kg	
Shark: kg		Other: kg		

One copy is kept by the master, one copy is kept by the control officer, and one copy is to be sent to the Commission of the European Communities.

#### ANNEX V

#### PART I

#### Information to be recorded in the logbook

When fishing is carried out within the 200-nautical-mile zone off the coasts of the Member States of the Community which is covered by Community rules on fisheries, the following details are to be entered in the log-book immediately after the following events:

After each haul:

- 1.1. the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species caught;
- 1.2. the date and the time of the haul;
- 1.3. the geographical position in which the catches were made;
- 1.4. the fishing method used.

After each trans-shipment to or from another vessel:

- 2.1. the indication 'received from' or 'transferred to';
- 2.2. the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species trans-shipped;
- 2.3. the name, external identifications letters and numbers of the vessel to or from which the trans-shipment occurred;
- 2.4. trans-shipment of cod is not allowed.
- After each landing in a port of the Community:
- 3.1. name of the port;
- 3.2. the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species landed.

After each transmission of information to the Commission of the European Communities:

- 4.1. date and time of the transmission;
- 4.2. type of message: 'catch on entry', 'catch on exit', 'catch', 'transhipment';
- 4.3. in the case of radio transmission: name of the radio station.

## PART II

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Log-book model

#### ANNEX VI

#### CONTENT AND MODALITIES OF THE TRANSMISSION OF INFOR-MATION TO THE COMMISSION

# 1. The information to be transmitted to the Commission of the European Communities and the timetable for its transmission is as follows:

1.1. On each occasion a vessel commences a fishing trip (<sup>1</sup>) in Community waters it shall send a 'catch on entry' message specifying the following

SR	m (²)	(= start of record)
AD	m	XEU (= to Commission of the European Communities)
SQ	m	(serial number of message in current year)
ТМ	m	COE (= 'catch on entry')
RC	m	(international radio call sign)
TN	o ( <sup>3</sup> )	(fishing trip serial number in the year)
NA	0	(name of the vessel)
IR	m	(Flag state as ISO-3 country code, where applicable followed by a unique reference number, if any, as applied in the flag state)
XR	m	(external identification letters; side number of the vessel)
LT ( <sup>4</sup> )	o ( <sup>5</sup> )	(latitude position of the vessel at time of trans- mission)
LG ( <sup>4</sup> )	0 (5)	(longitude position of the vessel at time of trans- mission)
LI	0	(estimated latitude position where the master intends to commence fishing, degrees or decimal presentation)
LN	0	(estimated longitude position where the master intends to commence fishing, degrees or decimal presentation)
RA	m	(relevant ICES area)
OB	m	(quantity by species on board, in the hold, in pairs as needed: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)
DA	m	(date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)
TI	m	(time of transmission in hhmm format)
MA	m	(name of the master of the vessel)
ER	m	(= end of record)

1.2. On each occasion a vessel terminates a fishing trip (<sup>6</sup>) in Community waters it shall send a 'catch on exit' message specifying the following:

SR	m	(= start of record)
AD	m	XEU (= to Commission of the European Communities)
SQ	m	(serial number of message for that vessel in current year)

<sup>(1)</sup> A fishing trip means a voyage commencing when a vessel intending to fish enters the 200-nautical-mile zone off the coasts of the Member States of the Community which is covered by the Community rules on fisheries and terminating when a vessel leaves that zone.

<sup>(2)</sup> m = mandatory

 $<sup>(^3)</sup>$  o = optional

<sup>(4)</sup> LT, LG: must be specified as decimal figure, 3 figures after the decimal point.

<sup>(5)</sup> Optional if a vessel is subject to satellite tracking.

<sup>(6)</sup> A fishing trip means a voyage commencing when a vessel intending to fish enters the 200-nautical-mile zone off the coasts of the Member States of the Community which is covered by the Community rules on fisheries and terminating when a vessel leaves that zone.

ТМ	m	COX (= 'catch on exit')
RC	m	(international radio call sign)
TN	0	(fishing trip serial number in the year)
NA	0	(name of the vessel)
IR	m	(Flag state as ISO-3 country code, where applicable followed by a unique reference number, if any, as applied in the flag state)
XR	m	(external identification letters; side number of the vessel)
LT (1)	o (²)	(latitude position of the vessel at time of transmission)
LG (1)	o (²)	(longitude position of the vessel at time of transmission)
RA	m	(relevant ICES area where catches were taken)
CA	m	(catch quantity by species since last report in pairs as needed: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)
OB	0	(quantity by species on board, in the hold, in pairs as needed: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)
DF	0	(days fished since last report)
DA	m	(date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)
TI	m	(time of transmission in hhmm format)
MA	m	(name of the master of the vessel)
ER	m	(= end of record)

1.3. At three-day intervals, commencing on the third day after the vessel first enters the zones referred to under 1.1 when fishing for herring and mackerel, and in weekly intervals, commencing the seventh day after the vessel first enters the zones referred to under 1.1 when fishing for all species other than herring and mackerel, a 'catch report' message has to be sent, specifying:

SR	m	(= start of record)
AD	m	XEU (= to Commission of the European Communities)
SQ	m	(serial number of message for that vessel in current year)
ТМ	m	CAT (= 'catch report')
RC	m	(international radio call sign)
TN	0	(fishing trip serial number in the year)
NA	0	(name of the vessel)
IR	m	(Flag state as ISO-3 country code, where applicable followed by a unique reference number, if any, as applied in the flag state)
XR	m	(external identification letters; side number of the vessel)
LT (1)	o (²)	(latitude position of the vessel at time of trans- mission)
LG (1)	o (²)	(longitude position of the vessel at time of trans- mission)
RA	m	(relevant ICES area where catches were taken)
CA	m	(catch quantity by species since last report in pairs as needed,: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)

<sup>(1)</sup> LT, LG: must be specified as decimal figure, 3 figures after the decimal point.

<sup>(2)</sup> Optional if a vessel is subject to satellite tracking.

OB	0	(quantity by species on board, in the hold, in pairs as needed,: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)
DF	0	(days fished since last report)
DA	m	(date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)
TI	m	(time of transmission in hhmm format)
MA	m	(name of the master of the vessel)
ER	m	(= end of record)

1.4. Whenever a trans-shipment is planned between the 'catch on entry' and 'catch on exit' message and apart from the 'catch report' messages, an additional 'trans-shipment' message has to be sent minimum 24 hours in advance, specifying:

SR	m	(= start of record)			
AD	m	XEU (= to Commission of the European Communities)			
SQ	m	(serial number of message for that vessel in current year)			
ТМ	m	TRA (= 'trans-shipment')			
RC	m	(international radio call sign)			
TN	0	(fishing trip serial number in the year)			
NA	0	(name of the vessel)			
IR	m	(Flag state as ISO-3 country code, where applicable followed by a unique reference number, if any, as applied in the flag state)			
XR	m	(external identification letters; side number of the vessel)			
KG	m	(quantity by species on- or off-loaded in pairs as needed,: FAO code + live weight in kilograms, rounded to the nearest 100 kilograms)			
TT	m	(international radio call sign of the receiving vessel)			
TF	m	(international radio call sign of the donor vessel)			
LT (1)	m/o (²), (³)	(predicted latitude position of the vessel where the trans-shipment is planned)			
LG (1)	m/o (²), (³)	(predicted longitude position of the vessel where the trans-shipment is planned)			
PD	m	(predicted date when the trans-shipment is planned)			
РТ	m	(predicted time when the trans-shipment is planned)			
DA	m	(date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)			
TI	m	(time of transmission in hhmm format)			
MA	m	(name of the master of the vessel)			
ER	m	(= end of record)			

#### 2. Form of the communication

Unless point 3.3 is applied (see below), the information specified above under point 1 shall be transmitted respecting the codes and ordering of data as specified above; in particular,

- the text 'VRONT' must be placed in the subject line of the message;
- each data item will be placed on a new line;

<sup>(1)</sup> LT, LG: must be specified as decimal figure, 3 figures after the decimal point.

<sup>(2)</sup> Optional if a vessel is subject to satellite tracking.

<sup>(3)</sup> Optional for the receiving vessel.

- the data itself will be preceded by the indicated code, separated from each-other by a space.

Example (with fictitious data):

SR	
AD	XEU
SQ	1
ТМ	COE
RC	IRCS
TN	1
NA	VESSEL NAME EXAMPLE
IR	NOR
XR	PO 12345
LT	+ 65.321
LO	- 21.123
RA	04A.
OB	COD 100 HAD 300
DA	20051004
MA	CAPTAIN NAME EXAMPLE
TI	1315
ER	

#### 3. Communication scheme

- 3.1. The information specified under point 1 shall be transmitted by the vessel to the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels by Telex (SAT COM C 420599543 FISH), electronic mail (FISHERIES-telecom@ec.europa.eu) or via one of the radio stations listed under point 4 below and in the form specified under point 2.
- 3.2. If it is impossible for reasons of force majeure for the message to be transmitted by the vessel, it may be transmitted on the vessel's behalf by another vessel.
- 3.3. In the case a Flag State has the technical capability to send all above messages and contents in the so-called NAF-format on behalf of its operating vessels, that Flag State may after bilateral agreement between the Flag State and the Commission transmit this information via a secured transmission protocol to the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels. In that case, some extra information will be added as a kind of envelope to the transmission (after the AD information)

FR	m	(from; party alfa ISO-3 country code)
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- RN m (serial number of the record for the relevant year)
- RD m (date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)
- RT m (time of transmission in hhmm format)

Example (with data of above)

//SR//AD/XEU//FR/NOR//RN/5//RD/20051004//RT/1320//SQ/1//TM/-COE//RC/IRCS//TN/1/NA/VESSEL NAME EXAMPLE//IR/NOR//-XR/PO 12345//LT/+ 65.321//LG/- 21.123//RA/04A.//OB/COD 100 HAD 300//DA/20051004//TI/1315//MA/CAPTAIN NAME EXAMPLE//ER//

The Flag State will receive a 'return message' specifying:

SR	m	(= start of record)					
AD	m	(ISO-3 country code of Flag State)					
FR	m	XEU (= to Commission of the European Communities)					

RN	m	(serial number of message in current year for which a 'return message' is sent)				
TM	m	RET (= 'return')				
SQ	m	(serial number of original message for that vessel in current year)				
RC	m	(international radio call sign mentioned in original message)				
RS	m	(return status — ACK or NAK)				
RE	m	(return error number)				
DA	m	(date of transmission in yyyymmdd format)				
TI	m	(time of transmission in hhmm format)				
ER	m	(= end of record)				

## 4. Name of the radio station

Name of radio station	Call sign of radio station
Lyngby	OXZ
Land's End	GLD
Valentia	EJK
Malin Head	EJM
Torshavn	OXJ
Bergen	LGN
Farsund	LGZ
Florø	LGL
Rogaland	LGQ
Tjøme	LGT
Ålesund	LGA
Ørlandet	LFO
Bodø	LPG
Svalbard	LGS
Stockholm Radio	STOCKHOLM RADIO
Turku	OFK

## 5. Code to be used to indicate the species

Alfonsinos (Beryx spp.)	ALF
American plaice (Hippoglossoides platessoides)	PLA
Anchovy (Engraulis encrasicolus)	ANE
Angler/Monk (Lophius spp.)	MNZ
Argentine (Argentina silus)	ARG
Atlantic pomfret (Brama brama)	POA
Basking shark (Cetorinhus maximus)	BSK
Black scabbardfish (Aphanopus carbo)	BSF
Blue ling (Molva dypterygia)	BLI
Blue whiting (Micromesistius poutassou)	WHB
Bob shrimp (Xiphopenaeus kroyeri)	BOB
Cod (Gadus morhua)	COD
Common shrimp (Crangon crangon)	CSH
Common squid (Loligo spp.)	SQC
Dogfish (Squalus acanthias)	DGS
Forkbeards (Phycis spp.)	FOR
Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides)	GHL

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Haddock (Melanogrammus aeglefinus)	HAD
Hake (Merluccius merluccius)	HKE
Halibut (Hippoglossus hippoglussus)	HAL
Herring (Clupea harengus)	HER
Horse-mackerel (Trachurus trachurus)	HOM
Ling (Molva Molva)	LIN
Mackerel (Scomber Scombrus)	MAC
Megrim (Lepidorhombus spp.)	LEZ
Nortern deep-water prawn (Pandalus borealis)	PRA
Norway lobster (Nephrops norvegicus)	NEP
Norway pout (Trisopterus esmarkii)	NOP
Orange roughy (Hoplostethus atlanticus)	ORY
Other	OTH
Plaice (Pleuronectes platessa)	PLE
Pollack (Pollachius pollachius)	POL
Porbeagle (Lamma nasus)	POR
Redfish (Sebastes spp.)	RED
Red seabream (Pagellus bogaraveo)	SBR
Roundnose grenadier (Coryphaenoides rupestris)	RNG
Saithe (Pollachius virens)	POK
Salmon (Salmo salar)	SAL
Sandeel (Ammodytes spp.)	SAN
Sardine (Sardina pilchardus)	PIL
Shark (Selachii, Pleurotremata)	SKH
Shrimp (Penaeidae)	PEZ
Sprat (Sprattus sprattus)	SPR
Squid (Illex spp.)	SQX
Tuna (Thunnidae)	TUN
Tusk (Brosme brosme)	USK
Whiting (Merlangus merlangus)	WHG
Yellowtail flounder (Limanda ferruginea)	YEL

## 6. Codes to be used to indicate the relevant area.

02A.	ICES division IIa — Norwegian Sea
02B.	ICES division IIb - Spitzbergen and Bear Island
03A.	ICES division IIIa - Skagerrak and Kattegat
03B.	ICES division IIIb
03C.	ICES division IIIc
03D.	ICES division IIId — Baltic Sea
04A.	ICES division IVa - Northern North Sea
04B.	ICES division IVb Central North Sea
04C.	ICES division IVc - Southern North Sea
05A.	ICES division Va — Iceland Grounds
05B.	ICES division Vb - Faroes Grounds
06A.	ICES division VIa — Northwest coast of Scotland and North Ireland
06B.	ICES division VIb - Rockall
07A.	ICES division VIIa — Irish Sea
07B.	ICES division VIIb — West of Ireland
07C.	ICES division VIIc - Porcupine Bank
07D.	ICES division VIId — Eastern Channel

07E.	ICES division VIIe — Western English Channel
07F.	ICES division VIIf - Bristol Channel
07G.	ICES division VIIg Celtic Sea North
07H.	ICES division VIIh Celtic Sea South
07J.	ICES division VIIj — South-West of Ireland — East
07K.	ICES division VIIk — South-West of Ireland — West
08A.	ICES division VIIIa — Bay of Biscay — North
08B.	ICES division VIIIb — Bay of Biscay — Central
08C.	ICES division VIIIc - Bay of Biscay - South
08D.	ICES division VIIId — Bay of Biscay — Offshore
08E.	ICES division VIIIe — Bay of Biscay — West Bay
09A.	ICES division IXa - Portuguese waters - East
09B.	ICES division IXb - Portuguese waters - West
14A.	ICES division XIVa - North-East Greenland
14B.	ICES division XIVb - South-East Greenland

- 7. In addition to the provisions laid down in points 1 to 6 the following provisions shall apply to third-country vessels intending to fish for blue whiting in Community waters:
  - (a) Vessels that already have catch on board may only commence their fishing trip after having received authorisation from the competent authority of the coastal Member State concerned. At least four hours prior to entering Community waters the master of the vessel shall notify as appropriate one of the following Fisheries Monitoring Centres:
    - (i) UK (Edinburgh) by e-mail at the following address: ukfcc@scotland. gsi.gov.uk or by telephone (+44 131 271 9700), or
    - (ii) Ireland (Haulbowline) by e-mail at the following address: nscstaff@eircom.net or by telephone (+353 87 236 5998).

The notification shall specify the name, international radio call sign and port letters and number (PLN) of the vessel, the total quantity by species on board and the position (longitude/latitude) where the master estimates that the vessel will enter Community waters as well as the area where he intends to commence fishing. The vessel shall not commence fishing until it has received acknowledgement of the notification and instructions on whether or not the master is required to present the vessel for inspection. Each acknowledgement shall have a unique authorisation number which the master shall retain until the fishing trip is terminated.

Notwithstanding any inspections that may be carried out at sea the competent authorities may in duly justified circumstances require a master to present his vessel for inspection in port.

- (b) Vessels that enter Community waters with no catch on board shall be exempt from the requirements laid down in point a).
- (c) By way of derogation from the provisions of point 1.2, the fishing trip shall be considered as being terminated when the vessel leaves Community waters or enters a Community port where its catch is fully discharged.

Vessels shall only leave Community waters after passing through one of the following control routes:

- A. ICES rectangle 48 E2 in zone VIa
- B. ICES rectangle 46 E6 in zone IVa
- C. ICES rectangles 48 E8, 49 E8 or 50 E8 in zone IVa.

The master of the vessel shall give at least four hours' prior notification of entering one of the afore mentioned control routes to the Fisheries Monitoring Centre in Edinburgh by e-mail or telephone as provided for in point 1. The notification shall specify the name, international radio call sign and port letters and number (PLN) of the vessel, the total quantity by species on board and the control route through which the vessel intends to pass.

The vessel shall not leave the area within the control route until it has received acknowledgement of the notification and instructions on whether or not the master is required to present the vessel for inspection. Each acknowledgement shall have a unique authorisation number which the master shall retain until the vessel leaves Community waters.

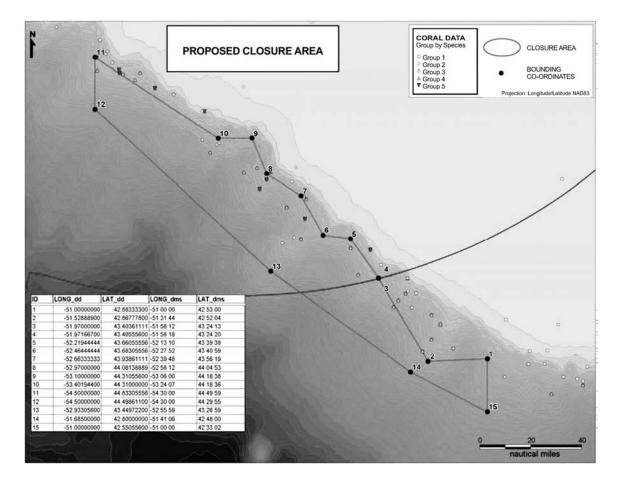
Notwithstanding any inspections that may be carried out at sea the competent authorities may in duly justified circumstances require a master to present his vessel for inspection in the ports of Lerwick or Scrabster.

- (d) Vessels that transit through Community waters must stow their nets so that they may not readily be used in accordance with the following conditions:
  - (i) nets, weights and similar gear shall be disconnected from their trawl boards and towing and hauling wires and ropes,
  - (ii) nets which are on or above deck shall be securely lashed to some part of the superstructure.

## ANNEX VII

#### **CLOSED AREA IN NAFO DIVISION 30**

In NAFO Division 3O the following area shall be closed to all fishing activity involving bottom contact gear:



#### ANNEX VIII

## PART I

#### Port State control forms

### PORT STATE CONTROL FORM - PSC 1

## PART A: To be completed by the master of the vessel

Name of	Name of vessel IMO Number (1)		Radio Call Sign		Flag State	
Inmarsat	Number	Telefax Number		Telephon	e Number	E-mail address
Port of landing or transhipment			Estimated Time of Arrival			
		Date:			Time	e (UTC):
Total catch on board			Catch to be landed ( <sup>2</sup> )			

## PART B: For official use only — to be completed by the Flag State

The Flag State of the vessel must respond to the following questions by marking 'Yes' or 'No'	Yes	No
a) The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had sufficient quota for the species declared		
b) The quantities on board have been duly reported and taken into account for the calculation of any catch or effort limitations that may be applicable		
c) The fishing vessel declared to have caught he fish had authorisation to fish in the area declared		
d) the presence of the fishing vessel in the area of catch declared has been verified according to VMS data		
Flag State confirmation		
I confirm that the above information is complete, true and correct to b	est of my know	ledge and belief.

Name and title Date Signature Official Stamp

Name of Port State	Authorisation given	Date	Signature	Stamp
	Yes			
	No			
(1) Fishing vessels not assinumber.	igned an IMO (International Ma	ritime Organisatio	on) number shall provide the	eir external registration

## PART C: For official use only — to be completed by the Port State

 $(^2)~$  If necessary an additional form or forms shall be used.

(3) FAO 3-alpha Species Codes.
(4) Product presentations — Appendix to Annex

#### PORT STATE CONTROL FORM - PSC 2 (1)

Name of vessel IM	O Number ( <sup>2</sup> )	Radio Call Sign	Flag State
Inmarsat Te Number	lefax Number	Telephone Number	E-mail address
Port of landing or t	ranshipment Estimated Tin	ne of Arrival	
	Date:		Time (UTC):
Catch information fo	r donor vessels		
Name of vessel	IMO Number ( <sup>2</sup> )	Radio Call Sign	Flag State
Total catch on board		Catch to be lande	ed ( <sup>3</sup> )
Specie- Product ( <sup>5</sup> ) s ( <sup>4</sup> )	ICES area of Produ catch weigh	ict Spec- Product ( nt (kg) ies ( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>5</sup> ) ICES area of Produ- catch ct weight (kg)

## PART A: To be completed by the master of the vessel

## PART B: For official use only — to be completed by the Flag State

Th	e Flag State of the vessel must respond to the following questions by marking 'Yes' or 'No'	Yes	No
a)	The fishing vessel declared to have caught the fish had sufficient quota for the species declared		
b)	The quantities on board have been duly reported and taken into account for the calculation of any catch or effort limitations that may be applicable		
c)	The fishing vessel declared to have caught he fish had authorisation to fish in the area declared		
d)	the presence of the fishing vessel in the area of catch declared has been verified according to VMS data		

Flag State confirmation confirm that the abo	ve information is complete	, true and corre	ect to best of my know	vledge and bel
Jame and title Da	te Signature	Official Sta	mp	
PAR	T C: For official use only	r — to be compl	leted by the Port Stat	e
PAR Name of Port State	T C: For official use only Authorisation given	r <b>— to be comp</b> Date	leted by the Port Stat	e Stamp

(4) FAO 3-alpha Species Codes.
 (5) Product presentations as set out in Appendix to Annex

# PART II

## REPORT ON PORT STATE CONTROL INSPECTION (PSC 3) (1)

## A. INSPECTION REFERENCE

Port State		Port of landing or transhipment	
Vessel name Flag State		IMO Number ( <sup>2</sup> )	Int. Radio call sign
Landing/transhipment started	Date	Time	
Landing/transhipment ended Date		Time	

#### B. INSPECTION DETAILS

Name of donor vessel	IMO Number ( <sup>2</sup> )	Radio call sign	Flag State
		0	U

## B1. Fish landed or transhipped

8	Diff. (%) between Product weight and PSC 1 or 2
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#### B2. Information about landings authorised without confirmation from the flag state

Name of storage, name of competent authorities, deadline for receiving confirmation.

#### B3. Fish retained on board

Species ( <sup>3</sup> )	Product ( <sup>4</sup> )	ICES Area of catch	Product weight in kg	Diff. (kg) between Product weight and PSC 1or 2	Diff. (%) between Product weight and PSC lor 2
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### C. RESULTS OF INSPECTION

Inspection started	Date	Time
Inspection ended	Date	Time

Observations

#### Infringements Noted (5)

Article	Cite NEAFC provision(s) violated and summarise pertinent facts		
Inspectors name		Inspectors signature	Date and place

## D. OBSERVATIONS BY THE MASTER

I, the undersigned, Master of the vessel...hereby confirm that a copy of this report has been delivered to me on this date. My signature does not constitute acceptance of any part of the contents of this report, except my own observations, if any. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### E. DISTRIBUTION

Сору	to	flag	State

Copy to NEAFC Secretary

(1) In case where a vessel has engaged in transhipment operations. A separate form shall be used for each donor vessel.

(2) Fishing vessels not assigned an IMO number shall provide their external registration number.
 (3) FAO 3-alpha Species Codes.

(a) Product presentations as set out in the Appendix to this Annex.
 (b) In case of infringements related to fish caught in the NEAFC Convention Area a reference should be made to the relevant article of the NEAFC Scheme of Control and Enforcement adopted on 17 November 2006.

## Appendix to Annex VIII

## Products and packing

## A. Product form codes

Code	Product form
A	Round — Frozen
В	Round — Frozen (Cooked)
С	Gutted Head on — Frozen
D	Gutted Head Off — Frozen
Е	Gutted Head Off — Trimmed — Frozen
F	Skinless Fillets — Bone in — Frozen
G	Skinless Fillets — Boneless — Frozen
Н	Skin on Fillets — Bone in — Frozen
Ι	Skin on Fillets — Boneless — Frozen
J	Salted Fish
K	Pickled Fish
L	Canned Products
М	Oil
N	Meal Produced from Round Fish
0	Meal Produced from Offal
Р	Other (Specify)

## B. Type of packing

Code	Туре
CRT	Cartons
BOX	Boxes
BGS	Bags
BLC	Blocks

ANNEX IX

Target species	Zone	Period of prohibition
Sharks (all species)	Convention Area	All year
Notothenia rossii	FAO 48.1 Antarctic, in the Peninsula Area FAO 48.2 Antarctic, around the South Orkneys FAO 48.3 Antarctic, around South Georgia	All year
Finfish	FAO 48.1 Antarctic ( <sup>1</sup> ) FAO 48.2 Antarctic ( <sup>1</sup> )	All year
Gobionotothen gibberifrons Chaenocephalus aceratus Pseudochaenichthys georgianus Lepidonotothen squamifrons Patagonotothen guntheri Electrona carlsbergi ( <sup>1</sup> )	FAO 48.3	All year
Dissostichus spp	FAO 48.5 Antarctic	1.12.2007 to 30.11.2008
Dissostichus spp	<ul> <li>FAO 88.3 Antarctic (<sup>1</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 58.5.1 Antarctic (<sup>1</sup>) (<sup>2</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic east of 79°20'E and outside the EEZ to the west of 79°20'E (<sup>1</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 88.2 Antarctic north of 65°S (<sup>1</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 58.4.4 Antarctic (<sup>1</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 58.6 Antarctic (<sup>1</sup>)</li> <li>FAO 58.7 Antarctic (<sup>1</sup>)</li> </ul>	All year
Lepidonotothen squamifrons	FAO 58.4.4 ( <sup>1</sup> ) ( <sup>2</sup> )	All year
All species except Champsocephalus gunnari and Dissostichus eleginoides	FAO 58.5.2 Antarctic	1.12.2007 to 30.11.2008
Dissostichus mawsoni	FAO 48.4 Antarctic (1)	All year

## PROHIBITION OF DIRECTED FISHING IN CCAMLR AREA

Except for scientific research purposes.
 Excluding waters subject to national jurisdiction (EEZs).

## ANNEX X

Subarea/Di-	Region	Season	SSRU	<i>Dissotichus</i> spp. Catch	By-cat	ch Catch Limit (t	connes)
vision	Region	Season	3310	Limit (tonnes)	Skates and rays	Macrourus spp.	Other species
48.6	All Division	1.12.2007 to 30.11.2008		200 T north of 60° S 200 T south of 60° S	All division 50	All division 32	All division 20
58.4.1	Whole Division	1.12.2007 to 30.11.2008	Total Subarea	600	All Division: 50	All Division: 96	All Division: 20
58.4.2	Whole Division	1.12.2007 to 30.11.2008	Total Subarea	780	All Division: 50	All Division: 124	All Division: 20
58.4.3a)	All Division outside Areas of National Jurisdiction	1.05.2008 to 31.08.2008	N/A	250	All Division: 50	All Division: 26	All Division: 20
58.4.3b)	All Division outside Areas of National Jurisdiction	1.05.2008 to 31.08.2008	N/A	150 North of 60°	All Division: 50	All Division: 80	All Division: 20
88.1	All Subarea	1.12.2007 to 31.08.2008	All Subareas	2 660	133	426	20
88.2	South of 65° S	1.12.2007 to 31.08.2008	Total Subarea	547 ( <sup>1</sup> )	50 ( <sup>1</sup> )	88 ( <sup>1</sup> )	20

# CATCH AND BY-CATCH LIMITS FOR NEW AND EXPLORATORY FISHERIES IN THE AREA OF CCAMLR IN 2007/08

(1) Rules for catch limits for by-catch species per SSRU, applicable within total by-catch limits per Subarea:
 — Skates and rays: 5 % of the catch limit for *Dissostichus* spp. or 50 tonnes, whichever is greatest
 — *Macrourus* spp.: 16 % of the catch limit for *Dissostichus* spp.
 — *Other* species: 20 tonnes per SSRU.

#### ANNEX XI

#### NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO PART ICIPATE IN A FISHERY FOR EUPHAUSIA SUPERBA

Contracting Party: Fishing season: Name of vessel: \_\_\_\_ Expected level of catch (tonnes): Fishing technique: Conventional trawl Continuous fishing system Pumping to clear codend Other approved methods: Please specify

Products to be derived from the catch and their conversion factors (1):

Product type	% of catch	Conversion factor (2)
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(1) Information to be provided to the exten	nt possible.	
(2) Conversion factor = whole weight/proc	essed weight	

Conversion factor = whole weight/processed weight.

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
48.1												
48.2												
48.3												
48.4												
48.5												
48.6												
58.4.1												
58.4.2												
88.1												
88.2												
88.3												

Tick boxes where and when you are most likely to operate.

Precautionary catch limits not set, therefore considered as exploratory fisheries.

Note that the details you provide here are for information only and do not preclude you from operating in areas or times which you did not specify

#### ANNEX XII

#### PART I

#### SEAFO transhipment declaration

					۲ و	lame and/or call si external identification	gn,			
Day	Month	Hour	Year	2 0	<i>F</i>	Agent's name:		Master's na	ime:	
				from						
			to		5	Signature:		Signature:		
ght in kilograms	or the unit used (	e.g. box, basket)	) and the landed	weight in kilograr	ms of this unit	:	kilograms (1) (2)			
Port of Transhipment ( <sup>3</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )	Presentation (*)	Presentation ( <sup>4</sup> )
Name of Port, Country	Whole	Gutted	Head off	Filleted						
	Day	Day     Month                               ight in kilograms or the unit used (       Port of Transhipment ( <sup>3</sup> )       ( <sup>3</sup> )       Name of Port,       Whole	Day     Month     Hour                                ight in kilograms or the unit used (e.g. box, basket)     Presentation (*)       Port of Transhipment (*)     Presentation (*)       (*)     (*)     Gutted	Day       Month       Hour       Year                  to            to            to            to	SEAFO number:         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0            from             from             to          ight in kilograms or the unit used (e.g. box, basket) and the landed weight in kilogram       Presentation       Presentation (*)       Presentation (*)         Port of Transhipment (*)       Presentation (*)       Presentation (*)       Presentation (*)       Presentation (*)         Name of Port,       Whole       Gutted       Head off       Filleted	and radio       External identification:       N         SEAFO number:       SEAFO number:       Search         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0       Image: Arrow of the search       Arrow of the search         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0       Image: Arrow of the search       Arrow of the search         Image: Arrow of the search       Image: Arrow of the search       Image: Arrow of the search       Arrow of	and radio       External identification: SEAFO number:       Name and/or call si external identification of recipient vessel:         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0	SEAFO number:       external identification and nationality of recipient vessel:         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0	and radio       External identification: SEAFO number:       Name and/or call sign, external identification and nationality of recipient vessel:         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0	and radio       External identification: SEAFO number:       Name and/or call sign, external identification and nationality of recipient vessel:         Day       Month       Hour       Year       2       0

(1) Give the unit of weight used (e.g. basket, box, etc.) for landing fish and the weight of the unit in kilograms. This unit may be different from that used in the logbook.

(2) Give the weight or quantities actually trans-shipped for all species covered by the SEAFO Convention. The weight should correspond to the weight of fish as landed, i.e. after any processing on board.

(<sup>3</sup>) Name of Port, Country refers to the port and country in which the transhipment will take place.

(\*) "Presentation" means the way fish has been processed. Indicate the nature of this processing if any: GUT for gutting, HEAD for heading, FILLET for filleting, etc. Where no processing has taken place, WHOLE for whole fish.

#### TRANSHIPMENT DECLARATION

#### (1) General rule

In the case of transhipment, the master of the fishing vessel shall enter the quantities on the transhipment declaration. A copy of the transhipment declaration shall be handed to the master of the recipient vessel.

#### (2) **Procedure for completion**

- (a) Entries on transhipment declaration shall be legible and indelible.
- (b) No entry on the transhipment declaration may be erased or altered. If a mistake is made, the incorrect entry shall be struck out with a line and followed by a new entry initialled by the master or his agent.
- (c) One transhipment declaration should be completed for each transhipment operations.
- (d) Each page of the transhipment declaration shall be signed by the master.

#### (3) Responsibilities of the master in respect of the landing declaration and the transhipment declaration

The master of the vessel shall certify with his initials and signature that the estimated quantities entered on the transhipment declaration are reasonable. The copies of the transhipment declaration must be kept for one year.

#### (4) Information to be provided

The estimates of the quantities trans-shipped are to be indicated on the SEAFO transhipment declaration form, as specified in the footnotes to this form, for each species, and in respect of a particular voyage

#### (5) Procedure of transmission

- (a) In the case of transhipment to a vessel flying the flag of a Contracting Party State or registered in a Contracting Party, the first copy of the transhipment declaration shall be handed over to the master of the recipient vessel. The original shall be handed over or dispatched, as the case may be, to the authorities of the Contracting Party whose flag the vessel is flying or in which it is registered, within 48 hours of completion of landing or on arrival in port.
- (b) In the case of transhipment to a vessel flying the flag of a non-Contracting party, the original document shall be handed over or sent, as the case may be, as soon as possible to the Contracting Party whose flag the fishing vessel is flying or in which it is registered.
- (c) In cases where it is impossible for the master to dispatch the original of the transhipment declarations to the authorities of the Contracting Party whose flag the vessel is flying or in which it is registered within the time limits specified, the information required in respect of the declaration shall be transmitted by radio or by other means to the authorities concerned.

The information shall be transmitted via the radio stations usually used, preceded by the name, the call sing and external identification of the vessel, and the name of its master.

In cases where it is not possible for the message to be transmitted by the vessel, it may be transmitted on the vessel's behalf by another vessel or by any other method.

The master shall ensure that information transmitted to radio stations is passed on in writing to the relevant authorities.

#### PART II

#### Guidelines for Design and Deployment of Tori Lines

1. These guidelines are designed to assist in the preparation and implementation of tori line regulations for longline fishing vessels. While these

guidelines are relatively explicit, improvement in tori line effectiveness through experimentation is encouraged. The guidelines take into account environmental and operational variables such as weather conditions, setting speed and ship size, all of which influence tori line performance and design in protecting baits from birds. Tori line design and use may change to take account of these variables provided that line performance is not compromised. Ongoing improvement in tori line design is envisaged and consequently review of these guidelines should be undertaken in the future.

- 2. Tori Line Design
- 2.1. It is recommended that a tori line 150 m in length be used. The diameter of the section of the line in the water may be greater than that of the line above water. This increases drag and hence reduces the need for greater line length and takes account of setting speeds and length of time taken for baits to sink. The section above water should be a string fine line (e.g. about 3 mm diameter) of a conspicuous colour such as red or orange.
- 2.2. The above water section of the line should be sufficiently light that its movement is unpredictable to avoid habituation by birds and sufficiently heavy to avoid deflection of the line by wind.
- 2.3. The line is best attached to the vessel with a robust barrel swivel to reduce tangling of the line.
- 2.4. The streamers should be made of material that is conspicuous and produces an unpredictable lively action (e.g. strong fine line sheathed in red polyurethane tubing) suspended from a robust three-way swivel (that again reduces tangles) attached to the tori line, and should hang just clear of the water.
- 2.5. There should be a maximum of 5-7 m between each streamer. Ideally each streamer should be paired.
- 2.6. Each streamer pair should be detachable by means of a clip so that line stowage is more efficient.
- 2.7. The number of streamers should be adjusted for the setting speed of the vessel, with more streamers necessary at slower setting speeds. Three pairs are appropriate for a setting speed of 10 knots.
- 3. Deployment of Tori Lines
- 3.1. The line should be suspended from a pole affixed to the vessel. The tori pole should be set as high as possible so that the line protects bait a good distance astern of the vessel and will not tangle with the fishing gear. Grater pole height provides greater bait protection. For example, a height of around 6 m above the water line can give about 100 m of bait protection.
- 3.2. The tori line should be set so that streamers pass over baited hooks in the water.
- 3.3. Deployment of multiple tori lines is encouraged to provide even greater protections of baits from birds.
- 3.4. Because there is the potential for line breakage and tangling, spare tori lines should be carried on board to replace damaged lines and to ensure fishing operations can continue uninterrupted.
- 3.5. When fishers use a bait casting machine (BCM) they must ensure coordination of the tori line and machine by:
  - a) ensuring the BCM throws directly under the tori line protection and;
  - b) when using a BCM that allows throwing to port and starboard, ensure that two tori lines are used.
- 3.6. Fishers are encouraged to install manual, electric of hydraulic winches to improve ease of deployment and retrieval of tori lines.

#### ANNEX XIII

#### Vessels engaged in illegal, unreported and unregulated fisheries in the North Atlantic

- The Commission shall without delay inform Member States of vessels flying flags of non-contracting Parties to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in North-East Atlantic Fisheries (hereinafter referred to as 'the Convention') that have been sighted engaging in fishing activities in the NEAFC Convention Area and placed by the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) on a provisional list of vessels that are being presumed to be undermining the Recommendations established under the Convention. The following measures shall apply to these vessels:
  - (a) vessels that enter ports are not authorised to land or tranship therein and shall be inspected by the competent authorities. Such inspections shall include the vessel's documents, log books, fishing gear, catch onboard and any other matter relating to the vessel's activities in the Convention Area. Information on the result of the inspections shall immediately be transmitted to the Commission;
  - (b) fishing vessels, support vessels, refuel vessels, mother-ships and cargo vessels flying the flag of a Member State shall not in any way assist the vessels or participate in any transhipment or joint fishing operations with the vessels;
  - (c) the vessels shall not be supplied in ports with provisions, fuel or other services.
- 2. In addition to the measures referred to in point 1, the following measures shall apply to vessels that have been placed by NEAFC on the list of vessels that have been confirmed as having engaged in illegal, unreported and unregulated fisheries (IUU vessels):
  - (a) IUU vessels shall be prohibited from entering a Community port;
  - (b) IUU vessels shall not be authorised to fish in Community waters and be prohibited from being chartered;
  - (c) imports of fish coming from IUU vessels shall be prohibited;
  - (d) Member States shall refuse the granting of their flag to IUU vessels and encourage importers, transporters and other sectors concerned to refrain from negotiating and from transhipping of fish caught by such vessels.
- 3. The vessels referred to in point 2 as well as the vessels placed on the IUU list established by the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) are listed in the Appendix to this Annex.
- 4. The Commission shall amend the list of IUU vessels to be in accordance with the NEAFC and NAFO IUU lists as soon as NEAFC adopts a new IUU list.

#### Appendix to Annex XIII

List of vessels with the following IM engaged i	IO numbers that have been confirme in illegal, unreported and unregulated	. 8
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IMO (1) ship identification number	Vessel's name ( <sup>2</sup> )	Flag State ( <sup>2</sup> )
7436533	ALFA	Georgia
7612321	AVIOR	Georgia
8522030	CARMEN	Ex Georgia
7700104	CEFEY	Russia
8028424	CLIFF	Cambodia
8422852	DOLPHIN	Russia
7321374	ENXEMBRE	Panama
8522119	EVA	Ex Georgia
8604668	FURABOLOS	
6719419	GORILERO	Sierra Leone
7332218	IANNIS I	Panama
8422838	ISABELLA	Ex Georgia
8522042	JUANITA	Ex Georgia
6614700	KABOU	Guinea Conakry
8707240	MAINE	Guinea Conakry
7385174	MURTOSA	Togo
8721595	NEMANSKIY	
8421937	NICOLAY CHUDOTVORETS	Russia
8522169	ROSITA	Ex Georgia
7347407	SUNNY JANE	
8606836	ULLA	Ex Georgia
7306570	WHITE ENTERPRISE	

(1) International Maritime Organisation.
 (2) Any changes of names and flags and additional information on the vessels are available on the NEAFC website: www.neafc.org

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#### ANNEX XIV

#### **RESOLUTION GFCM 31/2007/2**

# ESTABLISHMENT OF GEOGRAPHICAL SUB-AREAS IN THE GFCM AREA

The General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM),

*RECOGNIZING* the need to compile data, monitor fisheries and assess fisheries resources in a geo-referenced manner.

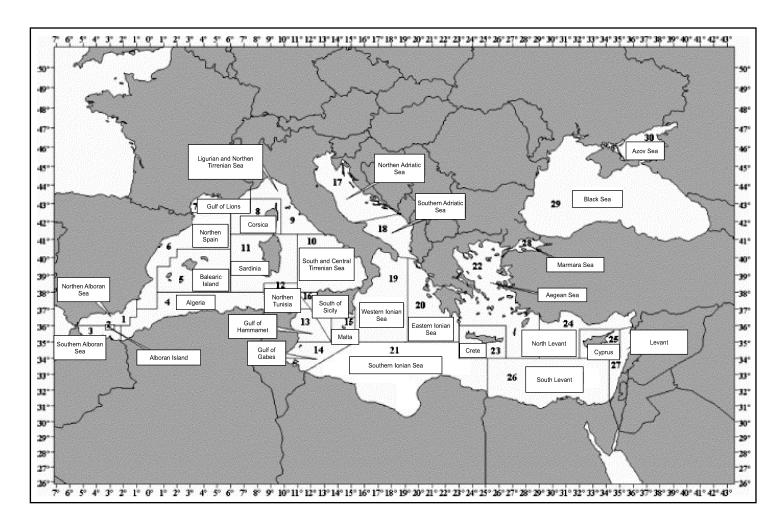
*RECALLING* the efforts made by Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) and its Sub-Committees to identify appropriate boundaries for sub-areas in the GFCM area (FAO area 37);

*CONSIDERING* the decision made by the Commission at its 26th Session (2001) to establish Geographical Sub-Areas (GSAs) in the GFCM area;

CONSIDERING the advice emanating from the ninth session of SAC;

#### ESTABLISHES:

1. Geographical Sub-Areas in the GFCM area as shown in Annexes 1, 2 and 3.





ANNEX 1

## ANNEX 2

FAO SUBAREA	FAO STATISTICS DIVISIONS	GSAs (SAC 9 <sup>th</sup> Session)	GSAs (2007)
		1.1.a waters surrounding Balearic Islands	5 Balearic Island
		1.1.b waters off Spanish conti- nental coast	6 Northern Spain
	1.1 BALEARIC	1.1.c waters off Algeria	4 Algeria
		1.1.d Alboran sea	1 Northern Alboran Sea
			2 Alboran Island
			3 Southern Alboran Sea
WESTERN	1.2 GULF OF	1.2.e Gulf of Lions	7 Gulf of Lions
WESTERN	LIONS	1.2.f waters off Cote dAzur	7 Gulf of Lions
		1.3.g waters surrounding Corsica	8 Corsica Island
		1.3.h waters surrounding Sardinia	11 Sardinia
	1.3 SARDINIA	1.3.i waters off north Sicily	10 South and Central Tirrenian Sea
	1.5 SARDINIA	1.3.j wafers off Italian conti- nental shelf	9 Ligurian and North Tirrenian Sea
			10 South Tirrenian Sea
		1.3.k waters northern Tunisia	12 Northern Tunisia
	2.1 ADRIATIC	2.1.a northern and central Adriatic	17 Northern Adriatic
		2.1.b south Adriatic	18 Southern Adriatic Sea
		2.2.c waters off southeast Italy	19 Western Ionian Sea
		2.2.d waters off western Greek	20 Eastern Ionian Sea
CENTRAL		2.2.e waters off Sicily and Malta	15 Malta Island
	2.2 IONIAN		16 South of Sicily
		2.2.f Gulf of Gabes and Hamamet	13 Gulf of Hamamet
			14 Gulf of Gabes
		2.2.g waters off Libya	21 Southern Ionian Sea
	3.1 AEGEAN	3.1.a Aegean Sea	22 Aegean Sea
	J.I ALUEAN	3.1.b waters surrounding Crete	23 Crete Island
EASTERN		3.2.c waters surrounding Cyprus	25 Cyprus Island
	3.2 LEVANT	3.2.d waters off southern Turkey coast	24 North Levant

## TABLE OF GFCM GEOGRAPHICAL SUB-AREAS (GSAS)

FAO SUBAREA	FAO STATISTICS DIVISIONS	GSAs (SAC 9 <sup>th</sup> Session)	GSAs (2007)
		3.2.e southeast Levant	27 Levant
		3.2.f waters off Egypt	26 South Levant
	4.1 MARMARA	4.1 Marmara Sea	28 Marmara Sea
BLACK SEA	4.2 BLACK SEA	4.2 Black Sea	29 Black Sea
	4.3 AZOV SEA	4.3 Azov Sea	30 Azov Sea

## ANNEX 3

Geographical coordinates for GFCM Geographical Sub-Area (GSAs)

GSAs	LIMITS
1	Coast Line 36° N 5° 36' W 36° N 3° 20' W 36° 05' N 3° 20' W 36° 05' N 2° 40' W 36° N 2° 40' W 36° N 1° 30' W 36° 30' N 1° 30' W 36° 30' N 1° W
2	► <u>M4</u> 36° 05' N 3° 20' W 36° 05' N 2° 40' W 35° 45' N 2° 40' W 35° 45' N 3° 20' W ◄
3	Coast Line 36° N 5° 36' W 35° 49' N 5° 36' W 36° N 3° 20' W 35° 45' N 3° 20' W 35° 45' N 2° 40' W 36° N 2° 40' W 36° N 1° 13' W Morocco-Algeria border
4	Coast Line 36° N 1° 13' W 36° N 1° 30' W 36° 30' N 1° 30' W 36° 30' N 1° W 37° N 1° W 37° N 0° 30' E 38° N 0° 30' E 38° N 8° 30' E Algeria-Tunisia border Morocco-Algeria border
5	38° N 0° 30' E 39° 30' N 0° 30' E 39° 30' N 1° 30' W 40° N 1° 30' E 40° N 2° E 40° 30' N 2° E 40° 30' N6° E 38° N 6° E

GSAs	LIMITS
6	Coast Line $37^{\circ} 36' N 1^{\circ} W$ $37^{\circ} N 1^{\circ} W$ $37^{\circ} N 0^{\circ} 30' E$ $39^{\circ} 30' N 0^{\circ} 30' E$ $39^{\circ} 30' N 1^{\circ} 30' W$ $40^{\circ} N 1^{\circ} 30' E$ $40^{\circ} N 2^{\circ} E$ $40^{\circ} 30' N 2^{\circ} E$ $40^{\circ} 30' N 6^{\circ} E$ $42^{\circ} 30' N 6^{\circ} E$ $42^{\circ} 30' N 3^{\circ} 09' E$
7	Coast line 42° 30' N 3° 09' E 42° 30' N 6° E 42° 30' N 7° 30' E France-Italy border
8	42° 30' N 6° E 42° 30' N 7° 30' E 43° 15' N 7° 30' E 43° 15' N 9° 45' E 41° 18' N 9° 45' E 41° 18' N 6° E
9	Coast line France-Italy border 43° 15' N 7° 30' E 43° 15' N 9° 45' E 41° 18' N 9° 45' E 41° 18 N 13° E
10	Coast line (including North Sicily) 41° 18' N 13° E 41° 18' N 11° E 38° N 11° E 38° N 12° 30' E
11	41° 18' N 6° E 41° 18' N 11° E 38° 30' N 11° E 38° 30' N 8° 30' E 38° N 8° 30' E 38° N 6° E
12	Coast line Algeria-Tunisia border 38° N 8° 30' E 38° 30' N 8° 30' E 38° 30' N 11° E 38° N 11° E 37° N 12° E 37° N 11° 04' E

GSAs	LIMITS
13	Coast line 37° N 11° 04′ E 37° N 12° E 35° N 13° 30′ E 35° N 11° E
14	Coast line 35° N 11° E 35° N 15° 18' E Tunisia-Libya border
15	36° 30' N 13° 30' E 35° N 13° 30' E 35° N 15°18' E 36° 30' N 15° 18' E
16	Coast line 38° N 12° 30' E 38° N 11° E 37° N 12° E 35° N 13° 30' E 36° 30' N 13° 30' E 36° 30' N 15° 18' E 37° N 15° 18' E
17	Coast line 41° 55' N 15° 08' E Croatia-Montenegro border
18	Coast line (both sides) 41° 55' N 15° 08' E 40° 04' N 18° 29' E Croatia-Montenegro border Albania-Greece border
19	Coast line (including East Sicily) 40° 04' N 18° 29' E 37° N 15° 18' E 35° N 15° 18' E 35° N 19° 10' E 39° 58' N 19° 10' E

Coast line

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35° N 23° E 34° N 23° E 34° N 25° 09 'E Libya-Egypt border

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Albania-Greece border 39° 58' N 19° 10' E

35° N 19° 10' E 35° N 23° E 36° 30' N 23° E

Tunisia-Libya border 35° N 15° 18' E

GSAs	LIMITS
22	Coast line 36° 30' N 23° E 36° N 23° E 36° N 26° 30' E 34° N 26° 30' E 34° N 29° E 36° 43' N 29° E
23	36°N 23° E 36° N 26° 30' E 34° N 26° 30' E 34° N 23° E
24	Coast line 36° 43' N 29° E 34° N 29° E 34° N 32° E 35° 47' N 32° E 35° 47' N 35° E Turkey-Syria border
25	35° 47' N 32° E 34° N 32° E 34° N 35° E 35° 47' N 35° E
26	Coast line Libya-Egypt border 34° N 25° 09' E 34° N 34° 13' E Egypt-Gaza Strip border
27	Coast line Egypt-Gaza Strip border 34° N 34° 13' E 34° N 35° E 35° 47' N 35° E Turkey-Syria border
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