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Regulatory Measure for Fishing of Salmon in the Faroe Islands for the Calendar Years 1990 and 1991

The North-East Atlantic Commission of the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization

Having regard to Article 8, subparagraph (b), recognising the need for regulatory measures in the Faroese fishery for the years 1990 and 1991, decides that:

The Faroese catch shall be controlled in accordance with an effort limitation programme, set out in Appendix 1, for a trial period of two years.

During the trial period the fishery shall be monitored by the Commission at its Annual Meetings, at which the Commission could decide on changes in the effort limitation programme and/or of the catch target. For this purpose, account shall be taken of the advice received from ICES.

The fishing effort shall be targeted at an average annual catch so that the total nominal catch for the duration of the trial period shall not exceed 1,100 tonnes. However, in any given year the annual catch shall not exceed 15% more than the annual average.

Appendix 1

The following regulatory measures for the fishing of salmon in the fisheries zone of the Faroe Islands for the years 1990 and 1991 shall apply:

- (1) Areas with salmon below the length of 60cm will be closed for salmon fishery at short notice, following the general rules for closing areas with undersized fish already in force in the Faroese fisheries zone;
- (2) The number of boats licensed for salmon shall not exceed 26;
- (3) The salmon fishing season will be limited to 150 days between 1 January and 30 April and 1 November and 31 December. The Faroese authorities shall inform NASCO before 15 December of the fishing season for the coming calendar year;
- (4) Subject to the maximum annual catch the total allowable number of fishing days for the salmon fishery in the Faroese Islands zone shall be set at 1,600 each year.

Appendix 2

The reduction in the Faroes quota is in recognition of newly introduced restrictions in the fisheries of an important state of origin. The justification for this reduction will be reviewed in the light of a scientific assessment of the effects of these new restrictions. In this connection ICES is specifically requested to make the necessary evaluation.