

AGREED RECORD

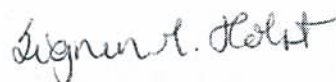
OF CONCLUSIONS OF FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND NORWAY ON THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FISHERIES ON THE STOCK OF BLUE WHITING IN THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FOR 2014

OSLO, 28 MARCH 2014

1. A Delegation of the European Union, headed by Mr John SPENCER, and a Delegation of Norway, headed by Ms Sigrun M HOLST, met in London on 6 February 2014 to consult on the management of the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting in the North-East Atlantic. As a continuation of this and previous meetings held in London, the Delegations agreed to finalise this *ad hoc* arrangement by correspondence.
2. In view of the review of the reciprocal access arrangements carried out in accordance with point 4 of the Annex to the Agreed Record of conclusions of fisheries consultations between the European Community and Norway on the management of the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting in the North-East Atlantic for 2009, the Parties agreed that continued reciprocal access shall be maintained.
3. The Heads of Delegation agreed to recommend to their respective authorities the *ad hoc* Arrangement set out in the Annex to this Agreed Record. The *ad hoc* Arrangement will enter into force on the date of the coastal State *ad hoc* Arrangement for the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting for 2014. It shall be applied by the Parties from the same date as the above-mentioned Ad hoc Arrangement and shall continue to apply insofar as that Ad hoc Arrangement continues to be in force.

Oslo, 28 March 2014

For the Delegation of Norway



Sigrun M HOLST

For the Delegation of the European Union



John SPENCER

ANNEX

**AD HOC ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN NORWAY AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON THE
BLUE WHITING STOCK IN THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FOR 2014**

1. Within the framework of the Coastal State arrangement, the European Union shall transfer from its catch limit to Norway 0.5 % of the combined Coastal State allowable catch of blue whiting.
2. The European Union is granted access to fish 61.4% (203,448 tonnes) of its catch limit, established under the Coastal State arrangement, in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen.
3. Norway is granted access to fish 61.4% (177,983 tonnes) of its catch limit, established under the Coastal State arrangement, in Union waters of ICES Sub-areas II, V, VI¹ and VII², and ICES Division IVa³, including the transfer referred to under paragraph 1 above.
4. Norwegian vessels fishing blue whiting in EU waters shall be subject to the control provisions as set out in Appendix I of this Ad hoc Arrangement.
5. European Union vessels fishing blue whiting in areas under Norwegian fisheries jurisdiction shall be subject to the relevant Norwegian regulations.
6. The Parties shall review this *ad hoc* Arrangement no later than November 2014.

¹ North of 56°30'N

² West of 12°W

³ The catches in ICES Division IVa, in respect of this arrangement, shall be limited to no more than 25% of the total access quantity.



**CONDITIONS FOR NORWEGIAN VESSELS INTENDING TO FISH
FOR BLUE WHITING IN EUROPEAN UNION WATERS:**

The following provisions shall apply to Norwegian vessels intending to fish for blue whiting in European Union waters:

1. 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. Such vessels shall only enter European Union waters after passing through one of the following control areas:
 - A. ICES rectangle 48 E2 in Division VIa;
 - B. ICES rectangle 50 F1 in Division IVa;
 - C. ICES rectangle 46 F1 in Division IVa;
 - D. ICES rectangle 36 D4 in VIIc;
 - E. ICES rectangle 37 D4 in VIIc.

Upon entering European Union waters, the master of the vessel shall contact the Fisheries Monitoring Centre of the coastal Member State concerned, as follows:

- a. UK (Edinburgh) by e-mail at the following address: ukfcc@scotland.gsi.gov.uk or by telephone (+44 131 271 9700) at least four hours prior to entering one of the control areas A, B or C, or
- b. Ireland (Haulbowline) by e-mail at the following address: fmcireland@defenceforces.ie or by telephone (+353 21 4378752) at least 12 hours prior to entering one of the control areas D or E.

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 European Union 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 waters of Blacksod Bay or in the ports of Killybegs, Lerwick or Scrabster.

2. Vessels that enter European Union waters with no catch on board shall be exempt from the requirements laid down in point 1.
3. The fishing trip shall be considered as being terminated when the vessel leaves European Union waters or enters a European Union port where its catch is fully discharged.



Vessels shall only leave European Union 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 European Union 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.

4. Vessels that transit through European Union waters must 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; and
 - b. Nets, which are on or above deck, shall be securely lashed to some part of the superstructure.

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