

**AGREED RECORD**  
**OF CONCLUSIONS OF FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN**  
**THE FAROE ISLANDS, THE EUROPEAN UNION, GREENLAND, ICELAND,**  
**NORWAY AND THE UNITED KINGDOM ON THE MANAGEMENT OF**  
**MACKEREL IN THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FOR 2022**

**London, 27 October 2021**

1. A delegation from the Faroe Islands, headed by Mr Herluf SIGVALDSSON, a delegation from the European Union headed by Mr Joost PAARDEKOOOPER, a delegation from Greenland, headed by Mr Jákup Emil HANSEN, a delegation from Iceland, headed by Mr Kristján Freyr HELGASON, a delegation from Norway headed by Ms Ann Kristin WESTBERG and a delegation from the United Kingdom headed by Mr Colin FAULKNER met in London on 19-21 October 2021 and on 27 October 2021 to consult on the management of mackerel in the North-East Atlantic for 2022. A delegation from the Russian Federation headed by Mr Vladimir BELYAEV participated via video-conference as observer.
2. The delegations agreed that the ICES MSY-advice of 794 920 tonnes should represent the level of catches of mackerel in the North-East Atlantic for 2022.
3. The delegations agreed that the Parties shall continue consulting on a comprehensive and inclusive quota-sharing arrangement as early as possible in 2022, with the best endeavours to reach a swift conclusion. In this context, Parties are invited to provide concrete proposals as from January 2022, taking into account the present situation.
4. The delegations agreed on Terms of Reference for a Working Group on mackerel distribution, as set out in Annex I of this Agreed Record. The Working Group should present its report by 28 February 2022. This report should inform the delegations on the distribution of the mackerel stock.
5. The delegations further agreed to exchange, by no later than 28 February 2022, details of all relevant regulations to provide an historical overview of the mackerel fisheries management by each party.
6. The delegations agreed to meet immediately after the presentation of the report of the Working Group.

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7. The delegations exchanged final quota and catch information for 2019 and 2020, as well as preliminary information for 2021. This information is provided in Annex II of this Agreed Record.
8. The delegations agreed to continue to provide quota and catch information in the same format as set out in Annex II of this Agreed Record. The delegations also agreed to exchange information from 2021 and onwards regarding their fishing activities including exchanges and access provisions as outlined in Annex III of this Agreed Record.
9. The delegations agreed that each Party shall, by 1 May 2022, provide updated information according to paragraph 8 to the chair of the consultations for 2023. The chair shall forward this information as soon as possible to all Parties.
10. The delegations agreed that the United Kingdom would act as chair for the Coastal States consultations for 2023.

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## ANNEX I

### Terms of Reference for a Working Group on mackerel distribution

The Coastal States European Union, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and the United Kingdom, and the Fishing Party, the Russian Federation, agree to establish a Working Group to collect and collate information on the geographical distribution of the mackerel stock in the North-East Atlantic, based on internationally recognised data collection methods and on the distribution of catches from this stock.

The Working Group shall:

1. Present available fishery independent data on the geographical distribution on an annual, quarterly and/or monthly/survey basis for all life stages of Northeast Atlantic mackerel (biomass and abundance or their appropriate proxies) by the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction and in international waters since 1977. Assess the utility of available data for the purposes of assessing the distribution of the stock in time and space.
2. For each Coastal State/Fishing Party, present total annual catch data by month and ICES statistical rectangle from 1977-2020, and by the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction and international waters. In the event the data offers lower precision, data can be presented by quarter and/or ICES subdivision. Describe the quality and utility of the catch data for the purposes of assessing the distribution of the stock in time and space.

The Working Group should present a report by 28 February 2022.

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# ANNEX II

Reporting of quotas and catches of mackerel in the North-East Atlantic - 2019 to 2021

2019 Final	QUOTAS (tonnes)					CATCHES (tonnes)							Balance to 2020	
	Quota established	Balance 2018	Quota exchange	Quotas after transfers and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Zone	Faroese Fishing Zone	Greenland fishing zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard		Russian Economic Zone
Party														
European Union *	322.077	40.260	253	362.590	19	327.648	2			318				327.987
Faroese Islands	82.339	7.624	-19.779	70.184	3.986	24.718	27.679			6.883				63.266
Iceland	140.240	13.625	-200	153.665	60.535	0	605	0	64.375	0	0	0	0	125.515
Norway	147.085	-6.271	5.726	146.540		129.355				29.729				159.084
Greenland	70.411	0		70.411	23.805			6.655						30.460
<b>Total CS</b>	<b>762.152</b>	<b>55.238</b>	<b>-14.000</b>	<b>803.390</b>	<b>88.345</b>	<b>481.721</b>	<b>28.286</b>	<b>6.655</b>	<b>64.375</b>	<b>36.930</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>706.312</b>

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Russian Federation	108.840	6.152	14.000	128.992	114.082		12.462							126.544
<b>Total all Parties</b>	<b>870.992</b>	<b>61.390</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>932.382</b>	<b>202.427</b>	<b>481.721</b>	<b>40.748</b>	<b>6.655</b>	<b>64.375</b>	<b>36.930</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>832.856</b>

2020 Final	QUOTAS (tonnes)					CATCHES (tonnes)							Balance to 2021	
	Quota established	Balance 2019	Quota exchange	Quotas after transfers and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Zone	Faroese Fishing Zone	Greenland Fishing Zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard		Russian Economic Zone
Party														
European Union *	454.482	32.208	271	486.961	63	447.272	169			334				447.838
Faroese Islands	116.188	6.918	-20.400	102.706	2.270	35.230	31.410							68.910
Iceland	152.141	21.036	-700	172.477	103.567	965		43.971						148.503
Norway	207.551	-12.544	6.329	201.336		178.385				33.161				211.546
Greenland	59.934	0		59.934	26.613									26.613
<b>Total CS</b>	<b>990.296</b>	<b>47.618</b>	<b>-14.500</b>	<b>1.023.414</b>	<b>132.513</b>	<b>660.887</b>	<b>32.544</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43.971</b>	<b>33.495</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>903.410</b>

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Russian Federation	130.282	14.383	14.383	144.665	117.301		11.515							128.816
<b>Total all Parties</b>	<b>1.120.578</b>	<b>47.618</b>	<b>-117</b>	<b>1.168.079</b>	<b>249.814</b>	<b>660.887</b>	<b>44.059</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43.971</b>	<b>33.495</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.032.226</b>

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2021 Provisional	QUOTAS (tonnes)					CATCHES (tonnes)							TOTAL CATCH	Balance to 2022
	Quota established	Balance 2020	Quota exchange	Quotas after transfers and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Zone	Faroese Fishing Zone	Greenland Fishing Zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard		
Party														
European Union (*) (**)	198.063	39.123	453	237.639	15	99.061				12				24.217
Faroese Islands	167.048	33.796	-22.400	178.444	40.438	36.720	58			18.988				96.146
Iceland	140.627	22.368	-700	162.295	105.993			23.299						129.350
Norway (***)	298.299	-10.210	6.349	294.438	6.123					243.475				249.598
Greenland	60.000			60.000	34.055									34.055
United Kingdom	222.288	-4.630	-453	217.205	977								106.780	109.448
<b>Total CS</b>	<b>1.086.325</b>	<b>80.447</b>	<b>-16.751</b>	<b>1.150.021</b>	<b>186.624</b>	<b>100.038</b>	<b>36.778</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23.299</b>	<b>262.475</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>130.997</b>

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(\*) Including 1 049 tonnes EU bycatch of MAC in EU waters and 312 tonnes in UK waters

(\*\*) Last update regarding exchanges: 12/10/2021

(\*\*\*) Preliminary quota

Russian Federation	120.423	16.500	16.500	136.923	121.981		14.177							136.158
<b>Total all Parties</b>	<b>1.206.748</b>	<b>80.447</b>	<b>-251</b>	<b>1.286.944</b>	<b>308.605</b>	<b>100.038</b>	<b>50.955</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23.299</b>	<b>262.475</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>130.997</b>

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### ANNEX III

Transfers in 2021*		Transfer to									
Party	Quotas	Balance from	Total available	European Union	Faroe Islands	Greenland	Iceland	Norway	United Kingdom	Russian Federation	
European Union (**)	198.314	39.123	237.437	---					305		
Faroe Islands	167.048	33.796	200.844		---		1.300	6.600		14.500	
Greenland	60.000	0	60.000			---					
Iceland	140.627	22.368	162.295				---			2000***	
Norway	298.299	-10.210	288.089	251				---			
United Kingdom	222.288	-4.630	217.658	758					---		
Russian Federation	120.423		136.923								---

Access arrangements in 2021		Access to									
Party	European Union	Faroe Islands	Greenland	Iceland	Norway	United Kingdom	Russian Federation				
European Union (*)	---				251	Full access					
Faroe Islands		---			83.524						
Greenland			---								
Iceland				---						n/a	
Norway								---			
United Kingdom	Full access								---		
Russian Federation											

\*Transfers imply full access

\*\* Last update regarding exchanges: 12/10/21

\*\*\* In this case, transfer does not imply full access