

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 2008

1. A Delegation of the European Community, headed by Mr Constantin ALEXANDROU and a Delegation of Norway, headed by Ms Sigrun M HOLST met in London on 22 and 23 October 2007 to consult on the management of the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting in the North-East Atlantic.
2. Recognising that the total catch limit agreed by the coastal States is below 1,250,000 tonnes, in keeping with paragraph 4 of the arrangement agreed by the two Parties on 9 December 2005, the Parties agreed that additional reciprocal access shall be granted in order to maintain stability on the fishing possibilities for the Parties
3. The Heads of Delegation agreed to recommend to their respective authorities the arrangement set out in the Annex to this Agreed Record. This arrangement will enter into force on the date of the entry into force of the coastal State arrangement for the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting for 2008. It shall be applied by the Parties from the same date as the above-mentioned arrangement and shall continue to apply insofar as that arrangement continues to be in force.

London, 23 October 2007

For the Delegation of
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For the Delegation of Norway

Constantin ALEXANDROU

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**ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND NORWAY ON THE BLUE
WHITING STOCK IN THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FOR 2008**

1. Within the framework of the coastal State arrangement, the European Community shall transfer from its catch limit to Norway 0.5 % of the combined coastal State allowable catch of blue whiting.
2. The European Community is granted access to fish 65% 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 65% of its catch limit, established under the coastal State arrangement, in Community waters of ICES Sub-areas II, V, VI¹ and VII², and ICES Division IVa³, including the transfer referred to under paragraph 1 above.
4. This arrangement shall be reviewed by the Parties in 2008.

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.