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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION

amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009, as regards fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Council Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 fixes for 2009 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of stocks applicable in Community waters and for Community vessels, in waters where limitations in catch are required.

As a consequence of the exclusion of groups of vessels from the application of the effort regime under Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 established in Council Regulation (EC) No [..]/2009, it is necessary to adjust the maximum allowable effort allocated to those Member States in Annex IIa of Regulation (EC) No 43/2009.

On 6 April the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 302/2009 concerning a multiannual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 and repealing Regulation 1559/2007. According to Article 9 of that Regulation, the Council shall determine and distribute among the Member States the maximum number of baitboats and trolling boats authorised to fish actively bluefin tuna in the Atlantic; of vessels fishing actively bluefin tuna in the Adriatic for farming purposes, and of the coastal artisanal baitboats, longliners and handliners fishing actively for fresh bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean. In addition, the Council shall decide on the allocation among Member States of the Community quota of bluefin tuna.

In order to gather more scientific information on krill, a species of fundamental importance to the Antarctic marine ecosystem, it is appropriate to implement multiple recent recommendations from the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) Scientific Committee reiterated at the 2008 meeting of the Scientific Committee to guarantee a 100% observer coverage in krill fishery in the CCAMLR Convention Area into Community law.

The proposal made by representatives from the European Community, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation at a meeting in London from 9 to 11 February 2009 regarding the management of redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters in the NEAFC Convention Area in 2009 and subsequently agreed by the Contracting Parties of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) should be implemented in Community law. As the concerned Agreement is applicable for the whole of 2009, the implementation of that Agreement should apply retroactively from 1 January 2009.

The conclusions of the EU/Greenland Joint Committee meeting on 25 November 2008 in Copenhagen, as regards the EC share of redfish in Greenland waters of ICES zones V and XIV should be implemented in Community law. As the arrangement concluded with Greenland is connected to the NEAFC Agreement on management of redfish in the Irminger Sea, the implementation of the conclusions of the EU/Greenland Joint Committee meeting should also apply retroactively from 1 January 2009.

The proposal made by the Heads of Delegation of the Contracting Parties of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) (Denmark in respect of the Faroe Islands and Greenland, European Community, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation) at a meeting in London from 24 to 27 March 2009 regarding the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems from significant adverse impacts in the NEAFC regulatory area and subsequently agreed by the Contracting Parties of NEAFC should be implemented into Community law.

The TAC adopted for greenland halibut in management area EC waters of IIa and IV; EC and international waters of VI, for mackerel in management area VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe, EC waters of Vb and international waters of IIa, XII and XIV and for horse mackerel in management area VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe, EC waters of Vb, international waters of XII and XIV, should cover both EC waters and international waters of Vb in order to avoid misreporting. The management areas for those TACs should therefore be amended.

The present proposal intends to introduce the necessary amendments to Regulation (EC) No 43/2009.

The Council is requested to adopt this proposal as soon as possible in order to allow fishermen to plan their activities for this fishing season.

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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 1342/2008 of 18 December 2008 establishing a long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting those stocks[2], and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 302/2009 concerning a multiannual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 and repealing Regulation 1559/2007, and in particular Article 9 (3), (4), (5), (7), (8), (9) and (10) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) Council Regulation (EC) No 43/2009[3] fixes for 2009 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.

(2) Annex IIa to Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 lays down the rules for the management of fishing effort in the context of the long-term plan for the management of Cod stocks established in Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 and in particular establishes, in Appendix 1to that Annex, the maximum allowable effort in kW days for each Member State to be deployed in the concerned areas and with the concerned gear groupings. Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No [..]/2009 excluding certain groups of vessels from the application of the effort regime laid down in Chapter III of

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1 OJ L 358, 31,12,2002, p. 59.
2 OJ L 348, 24.12.2008, p. 20.
3 OJ L 22, 26.1.2009, p.1.

Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008[4], it is necessary to adjust the maximum allowable effort as laid down in Appendix 1 of Annex IIA to Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 by deducting for Spain 590 583 kW-days from effort group TR1 in area (d) and for Sweden 148 613 kW-days from effort group TR2 in geographical area (a) and 706.272 kW-days from effort group TR2 in geographical area (b). In view of the retroactive application of Regulation (EC) No [..]/2009 from 1 February 2009, these adjustments should apply from that same date.

(3) According to Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 302/2009 concerning a multiannual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 and repealing Regulation 1559/2007[5], the Council is to determine and distribute among the Member States the maximum number of baitboats and trolling boats authorised to fish actively bluefin tuna in the Atlantic; of vessels fishing actively bluefin tuna in the Adriatic for farming purposes, and of the coastal artisanal baitboats, longliners and handliners fishing actively for fresh bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean. In addition, the Council is to decide on the allocation among Member States of the Community quota of bluefin tuna.

(4) In order to gather more scientific information on krill, a species of fundamental importance to the Antarctic marine ecosystem, it is appropriate to implement multiple recent recommendations from the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources Scientific Committee, established under the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR), reiterated at the 2008 meeting of the Scientific Committee to guarantee a 100% observer coverage in krill fishery in the CCAMLR Convention Area into Community law.

(5) In the context of the fisheries agreement with Norway, a further 750 tonnes of cod in Norwegian waters of ICES zones I and II have been made available to the Community.

(6) The proposal made by representatives from the European Community, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation at a meeting in London from 9 to 11 February 2009 regarding the management of redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters in the NEAFC Convention Area in 2009 and subsequently agreed by the Contracting Parties of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) should be implemented in Community law. As the Agreement is applicable for the whole of 2009, the fishing opportunities should apply retroactively from 1 January 2009.

(7) The conclusions of the EU-Greenland Joint Committee meeting in Copenhagen on 25 November 2008, as regards the Community share of redfish in Greenland waters of ICES zones V and XIV should be implemented into Community law. As the arrangement concluded with Greenland is connected to the NEAFC Agreement on the management of redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters, the measures adopted for the implementation of the conclusions of the EU-Greenland Joint Committee meeting should also apply retroactively from 1 January 2009.

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[4] OJ L [..], [..].[..].2009, p. [..].

[5] OJ L96/1, 15.04.2009, p.1

(8) The total allowable catch (TAC) adopted for greenland halibut in management area EC waters of IIa and IV; EC and international waters of VI, for mackerel in management area VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe, EC waters of Vb and international waters of IIa, XII and XIV and for horse mackerel in management area VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe, EC waters of Vb, international waters of XII and XIV, should cover EC waters and international waters of Vb in order to avoid misreporting. The management areas for those TACs should therefore be amended accordingly.

(9) The proposal made by the Heads of Delegation of the Contracting Parties of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) (Denmark in respect of the Faroe Islands and Greenland, European Community, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation) at a meeting in London from 24 to 27 March 2009 regarding the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems from significant adverse impacts in the NEAFC regulatory area and subsequently agreed by the Contracting Parties of NEAFC should be implemented into Community law.

(10) Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1
Amendments to Regulation (EC) No 43/2009

Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 is amended as follows:

(1) The following Chapter VIIIa is inserted:

"Chapter VIIIa

Labelling of fish frozen after being caught in the NEAFC Convention Area by Community vessels or third country vessels

Article 39a
Labelling of frozen fish

When frozen, all fish caught in the NEAFC Convention Area shall be identified with a clearly legible label or stamp. The label or stamp, which shall be placed on each box or block of frozen fish, shall indicate the species, production date, the ICES sub-area and division where the catch was taken and the name of the vessel which caught the fish.".

(2) In Article 48, the following paragraph 1a is inserted:

"1a. Each vessel participating in the krill fishery referred to in Article 49 shall have at least one scientific observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR

Scheme of International Scientific Observation or fulfilling the requirements under that scheme, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period."

(3) In Article 50, paragraph 4 is deleted.

(4) The following Articles 91a to 91 f are inserted:

"Article 91a

Maximum number of vessels fishing bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic

The maximum number of Community bait boats and trolling boats authorised to fish actively bluefin tuna between 8 kg or 75 cm and 30 kg or115 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

Article 91b

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 or 75 cm and 30 kg or 115 cm applicable to authorised Community vessels referred to in Article 91a, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

Spain	599,3
France	269,3
EC	868,6

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 91a, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

France	45[6]
EC	45

[6] This quantity may be revised by the Commission upon request of France, up to an amount of 100 tonnes as indicated by ICCAT Recommendation 08-05.

Article 91c

Maximum number of vessels fishing bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean applicable to the Community coastal artisanal fishery

The maximum number of Community coastal artisanal fishing vessels authorised to fish actively bluefin tuna between 8 kg or 75 cm and 30 kg or 115 cm in the Mediterranean, and the allocation among the Member States of that maximum number shall be fixed as follows:

Spain	139
France	86
Italy	35
Cyprus	25
Malta	89
EC	374

Article 91d

Catch limits for bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean applicable to the Community coastal artisanal fishery

Within the catch limits laid down in Annex ID, the catch limit for bluefin tuna between 8 kg and 30 kg allocated to the Community coastal artisanal fishery for fresh fish by bait boats, longliners and handliners in the Mediterranean referred to in Article 91c, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

Spain	82,3
France	71,8
Italy	63,5
Cyprus	2,3
Malta	5,3
EC	225,2

Article 91e

Maximum number of vessels fishing bluefin tuna in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes

The maximum number of Community vessels fishing actively bluefin tuna in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes authorised to fish bluefin tuna between 8 kg or 75 cm and 30 kg or 115 cm, and the allocation among the Member States of that maximum number shall be fixed as follows:

Italy	68
EC	68

Article 91f

Catch limits for bluefin tuna in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes

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 vessels fishing bluefin tuna in the Adriatic Sea for farming purposes referred to in Article 91e, and the allocation of that catch limit among the Member States, shall be fixed as follows (in tonnes):

Italy	63,5
EC	63,5".

(5) Annex IA is amended as follows:

(a) The entry concerning the species Greenland Halibut in EC waters of IIa and IV; EC and international waters of VI is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Greenland Halibut *Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*	Zone:	EC waters of IIa and IV; EC and international waters of Vb and VI (GHL/2A-C46)
Denmark	4	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.	
Germany	7		
Estonia	4		
Spain	4		
France	69		
Ireland	4		
Lithuania	4		
Poland	4		
United Kingdom	270		
EC	720 (1)		
TAC	Not relevant		

(1) 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."

(b) The entry concerning the species Mackerel in ICES zones VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC waters of Vb; international waters of IIa, XII and XIV is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Mackerel *Scomber scombrus*	Zone:	VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC waters and international of Vb; international waters of IIa, XII and XIV (MAC/2CX14-)
Germany	19 821	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.	
Spain	20		
Estonia	165		
France	13 216		
Ireland	66 070		
Latvia	122		
Lithuania	122		
The	28 905		

Netherlands		
Poland	1 396	
United Kingdom	181 694	
EC	311 531	
Norway	12 300	(1)
Faroe Islands	4 798	(2)
TAC	511 287	(3)

(1) 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 3 982 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.

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	5 981
France	3 988
Ireland	19 938
The Netherlands	8 723
United Kingdom	54 829
EC	93 459"

(c) The entry concerning the species Horse Mackerel in ICES zones VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Horse mackerel *Trachurus* spp.	Zone:	VI, VII, VIIIa, VIIIb, VIIId and VIIIe; EC and international waters of Vb; international waters of XII and XIV (JAX/578/14)
Denmark	15 056	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.	
Germany	12 035		
Spain	16 435		
France	7 952		
Ireland	39 179		
The Netherlands	57 415		
Portugal	1 591		
United Kingdom	16 276		
EC	165 939		
Faroe Islands	4 061 (1)		
TAC	170 000		

(1) May be fished in ICES zone IV, VIa North of 56°30'N, VIIe, VIIf and VIIh."

(6) Annex IB is amended as follows:

(a) The entry concerning the species Cod in Norwegian waters of I and II is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Cod *Gadus morhua*	Zone:	Norwegian waters of I and II (COD/1N2AB.)
Germany	2 425	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.	
Greece	301		
Spain	2 706		
Ireland	301		
France	2 226		
Portugal	2 706		
United Kingdom	9 410		
EC	20 074		
TAC	525 000"		

(b) The entry concerning the species Redfish in EC and international waters of ICES zone V and EC waters of ICES zones XII and XIV is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Redfish *Sebastes spp.*		Zone	EC and international waters of V; international waters of XII and XIV (RED/51214.)
Estonia	210		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.	
Germany	4 266			
Spain	749			
France	398			
Ireland	1			
Latvia	76			
The Netherlands	2			
Poland	384			
Portugal	896			
United Kingdom	10			
EC	6 992	(1)		
TAC	46 000			

(1) No more than 70 % of the quota may be taken within the area bounded by the following coordinates and no more than 15% of the quota may be taken within that area during the period from 1 April to 10 May. (RED/*5X14.)

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	64°45	28°30
2	62°50	25°45
3	61°55	26°45
4	61°00	26°30
5	59°00	30°00
6	59°00	34°00
7	61°30	34°00
8	62°50	36°00
9	64°45	28°30 "

(c) The entry concerning the species Redfish in Greenland waters of ICES zones V and XIV is replaced by the following:

"Species:	Redfish *Sebastes spp.*		Zone:	Greenland waters of V and XIV (RED/514GRN)
Germany	4 742	(1)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.	
France	24	(1)		
United Kingdom	33	(1)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 does not apply.	
EC	8 000	(1) (2) (3)	Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 applies.	
TAC	Not relevant			

(1) 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 (RED/*51214).

(2) 3 000 tonnes to be fished with pelagic trawl are allocated to Norway and 200 tonnes are allocated to the Faroe Islands.

(3) No more than 70 % of the quota may be taken within the area bounded by the following coordinates and no more than 15% of the quota may be taken within that area during the period from 1 April to 10 May. (RED/*5-14.)

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	64°45	28°30
2	62°50	25°45
3	61°55	26°45
4	61°00	26°30
5	59°00	30°00
6	59°00	34°00
7	61°30	34°00
8	62°50	36°00
9	64°45	28°30 "

(7) Appendix 1 to Annex IIA is amended as follows:

(a) In table (a), the column concerning Sweden is replaced by the following:

SE
16 609
738 786
55 853
0
0
13 155
22 130
25 339

(b) In table (b) , the column concerning Sweden is replaced by the following:

SE
286 779
829 753
263 772
0
0
80 781
53 078
110 468

(c) In table (d), the column concerning Spain is replaced by the following:

ES
0
0
0
0
0
13 836
0
1 402 142

(8) Annex III is amended as follows:

(a) the following point 9a is inserted:

"9a. Special measures for the redfish fishery in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters

9a.1 The measures set out in this point 9a shall apply to the fishery for redfish (*Sebastes* spp.) in international waters of ICES zone V and EC waters of ICES zones XII and XIV bounded by the following coordinates (hereinafter referred to as "the Redfish Conservation Area") :

Point No	Latitude N	Longitude W
1	64°45	28°30
2	62°50	25°45
3	61°55	26°45
4	61°00	26°30
5	59°00	30°00
6	59°00	34°00
7	61°30	34°00
8	62°50	36°00
9	64°45	28°30 "

9a.2 In addition to the data required under Article 5(1) of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999, masters of fishing vessels shall record in their fishing logbooks each entry and exit from the Redfish Conservation Area and the cumulative catches retained on board. The record shall identify the area by the specific code 'RCA'.

9a.3 Masters of fishing vessels engaged in the fishery in the Redfish Conservation Area, shall transmit the catch report provided for in Article 6(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999, on a daily basis after the fishing operations of that calendar day have been completed. It shall indicate the catches on board taken since the last communication of catches.

9a.4 In addition to information required under Article 6(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999, the masters of fishing vessels shall communicate the catch on board taken since the last communication of catches prior to entering and exiting the Redfish Conservation Area.

9a.5 The reports referred to in points 9a.3 and 9a.4 shall be made in accordance with Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 1085/2000. Reports of catches taken in the Redfish Conservation Area shall indicate the code 'RCA' as the relevant area.

9a.6 Without prejudice to Article 39a of this Regulation, the label or stamp identifying redfish caught in the Redfish Conservation Area shall bear the specific code 'RCA'.

9a.7 Buyers or holders of fish shall ensure that any quantity of redfish caught in the Redfish Conservation Area and first landed into a Community port or transhipped is weighed when landed or transhipped.

9a.8 It shall be prohibited to use trawls with a mesh size of less than 100 mm.

9a.9 The conversion factor to be applied to the gutted and headed presentation, including Japanese cut, of redfish caught in the Redfish Conservation Area shall be 1.70."

(b) Point 15.1 is replaced by the following:

"15.1. 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:

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

– 55° 04.5327' N, 36° 49.0135' W;

Northern MAR Area:

– 59° 45' N, 33° 30' W

– 57° 30' N, 27° 30' W

– 56° 45' N, 28° 30' W

– 59° 15' N, 34° 30' W

– 59° 45' N, 33° 30' W;

Middle MAR Area (Charlie-Gibbs Fracture zone & Subpolar Frontal Region):

– 53° 30’ N, 38° 00’ W

– 53° 30’ N, 36° 49’ W

– 55° 04.5327’ N, 36° 49’ W

– 54° 58.9914’ N, 34° 41.3634’ W

– 54° 41.1841’ N, 34° 00’ W

– 53° 30’ N, 34° 00’ W

– 53° 30’ N, 30° 00’ W

– 51° 30’N, 28° 00’W

– 49° 00’ N, 26° 30’ W

– 49° 00’ N, 30° 30’ W

– 51° 30’ N, 32° 00’ W

– 51° 30’N, 38° 00’ W;

– 53° 30’ N, 38° 00’ W

Southern MAR Area

– 44° 30’ N, 30° 30’ W

– 44° 30’N, 27° 00’ W

– 43°15’ N, 27° 15’ W

– 43°15’ N, 31° 00’ W

– 44° 30’ N, 30° 30’ W;

The Altair Seamounts:

– 45° 00' N, 34° 35' W

– 45° 00' N, 33° 45' W

– 44° 25' N, 33° 45' W

– 44° 25' N, 34° 35' W

– 45° 00' N, 34° 35' W;

The Antialtair Seamounts:

– 43° 45' N, 22° 50' W

– 43° 45' N, 22°05' W

– 43° 25' N, 22° 05' W

– 43°25' N, 22° 50' W

– 43° 45' N, 22° 50' W;

Hatton Bank:

– 59º 26' N, 14º 30' W

– 59º 12' N, 15º 08' W

– 59º 01' N, 17º 00' W

– 58º 50' N, 17º 38' W

– 58º 30' N, 17º 52' W

– 58º 30' N, 18º 22' W

– 58º 03' N, 18º 22' W

– 58º 03' N, 17º 30' W

– 57º 55' N, 17º 30' W

– 57º 45' N, 19º 15' W

– 58º 30' N, 18º 45' W

– 58º 47' N, 18º 37' W

– 59º 05' N, 17º 32' W

– 59º 16' N, 17º 20' W

– 59º 22' N, 16º 50' W

– 59º 21' N, 15º 40' W;

North West Rockall:

– 57º 00' N, 14º 53' W

– 57º 37' N, 14º 42' W

– 57º 55' N, 14º 24' W

– 58º 15' N, 13º 50' W

– 57º 57' N, 13º 09' W

– 57º 50' N, 13º 14' W

– 57º 57' N, 13º 45' W

– 57º 49' N, 14º 06' W

– 57º 29' N, 14º 19' W

– 57º 22' N, 14º 19' W

– 57º 00' N, 14º 34' W

– 56° 56' N, 14° 36' W

– 56° 56' N, 14° 51' W

– 57º 00' N, 14º 53' W;

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

– 56° 24' N, 15° 37' 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

– 55°17' N 16°10' W;

West Rockall Mound:

– 57º 20' N, 16º 30' W

– 57º 05' N, 15º 58' W

– 56º 21' N, 17º 17' W

– 56º 40' N, 17º 50' W

– 57º 20' N, 16º 30' W.".

Article 2
Entry into force

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

Article 1(6) shall apply from 1 January 2009 and Article 1(7) shall apply from 1 February 2009.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President