

AGREED RECORD

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

1. A Delegation of Norway, headed by Mr. Johán H. WILLIAMS and a Delegation of the European Community, headed by Mr. Constantin ALEXANDROU, met in Oslo on 7 to 9 December 2005 to consult on the management of the fisheries on the stock of blue whiting in the North-East Atlantic.
2. 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. 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.

Oslo, 9 December 2005

For the Delegation of Norway

For the Delegation of the
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ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN NORWAY AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON THE BLUE WHITING STOCK IN THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC

1. Within the framework of the coastal State arrangement, the European Community shall transfer annually 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 61% 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% 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. If the total catch limit agreed by the coastal States is below 1,250,000 tonnes, additional reciprocal access shall be granted following consultations in order to maintain stability on the fishing possibilities for the Parties.
5. This arrangement shall be reviewed by the Parties not later than 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.