



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO / NEAFC 2016

NAFO 1st Mission

PARTICIPANTS

Germany – EU/NAFO Inspectors

Lithuania – EU/NAFO Inspector

Canada – CAN/NAFO Inspector

EFCA Coordinator

PERIOD:

13 – 22 May 2016

<u>AREA:</u> NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the EU (Germany) FPV *SEEFALKE*

OBJECTIVES

- Coordination, technical assistance and support of the Union inspectors on their duties during a NAFO sea-going mission.
- Control of compliance with NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures, Council Regulations (EC) No. 1386/2007, 2115/05 and 2016/72 by the fishing vessels operating in NAFO Regulatory Area, including non-Union fishing vessels. Main goal was to inspect vessels targeting Greenland halibut (GHL) in Divisions 3LMNO, COD in Division 3M and Redfish (RED) in 3O and 3LN Divisions.
- Control of the reliability of catch reporting and assessment of the level of compliance with by-catch rules.
- Develop and manage a regular information exchange, in particular inspection and surveillance data, between other fisheries patrol vessels in the NAFO area, NAFO Secretariat and DG MARE.

RESULTS

- 5 inspections and 13 sightings of 8 individual vessels were carried out.
- No infringements were detected during the inspections.

OBSERVATIONS

 The FPV SEEFALKE left Cuxhaven, Germany on 6th of May and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on the 13th of May to carry out the first mission of the year in the

NAFO RA.

- During the mission the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 7 to 9, 2-4 fishing vessels from other Contracting Parties were also present. The overall number of vessels fishing in the area during this mission varied from 9 to 13.
- No infringements were detected during the inspections of vessels at sea.
- The weather conditions, 3-4 m swell, limited the inspection activity in the beginning, the good weather conditions during the rest of the mission permitted to carry on boardings.
- During the mission 2 CAN FPVs were on duties in NAFO RA.
- The cooperation with Canada was very good. Information on inspection activities and patrol updates were exchanged daily with the Canadian FPV operating in the area and DFO - Offshore Department of Fisheries and Oceans (Canada).
- During this mission a Canadian NAFO inspector was on board *SEEFALKE* being fully incorporated in the inspection team.