



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO / NEAFC 2014

NAFO 1st. Mission

PARTICIPANTS

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PERIOD:

14 - 30 May 2014

AREA: 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 43/2014 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 3KLMNO, COD in Division 3M and Redfish (RED) in 3M, 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

• 6 inspections and 8 sightings of 8 individual vessels were carried out, no infringements detected.

OBSERVATIONS

- FPV "SEEFALKE" left the port of Cuxhaven, Germany, on 14th May, and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on 21s^t May, carrying out the first mission of the year in the NRA, as scheduled in the NAFO Joint Deployment Plan 2014.
- During the mission, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 11 to 14 and 3 to 5 fishing vessels from other NAFO Contracting Parties were

- present in NRA; overall number of vessels fishing in the area during this mission varied from 15 to 18.
- The EU fleet was targeting GHL in Divisions L and M, COD in Division 3M, RED in Division 3O and SKA in Divisions 3NO. One FOR vessel was targeting RED in Divisions 3LN, 2 CAN vessels were targeting HAL in Divisions 3NO, 1 USA vessel was targeting YEL in Divisions 3NO and another USA was in Division 3O targeting HAL and HKW.
- No infringements were detected during the inspections of vessels at sea.
- Despite the poor visibility the weather was normal permitting boarding activity during most of the time. However in the last two days due to the swell were not possible to carry out inspections.
- Canada was also present in the area with the FPV "LJ COWLEY". The cooperation with CAN inspectors was good.