



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO / NEAFC 2014

NAFO 3rd Mission

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PERIOD:		AREA: NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the
31 August – 23 September 2014		EU (SPANISH) FPV ALBORAN
OBJECTIVES		
	 Coordination, technical assistance and support of the Union inspectors on their duties during a NAFO sea-going mission. 	
Re op wa	 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.

<u>RESULTS</u>

• 10 inspections and 11 sightings of 11 individual vessels were carried out and 3 apparent infringements were detected (failure to send COX and COE messages, out-of-date capacity plan certification and labelling requirements).

OBSERVATIONS

- FPV "ALBORAN" left the port of Ponta Delgada, Azores Islands, Portugal on 31st August and entered in St. John's on 23rd September, carrying out the third mission of the year in the NAFO RA, as scheduled in the NAFO Joint Deployment Plan 2014.
- During the mission, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged

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- The EU fleet was targeting GHL in Divisions 3LM, COD in Division 3M, RED in Divisions 3 LNO and SKA in Divisions 3NO. 1 FRO vessel was targeting PRA in Division 3L. 1 USA vessel was targeting HAL in Divisions 3NO and another USA vessel was targeting YEL in Divisions 3NO.
- Despite the poor visibility for the most of the time, the weather was in general regular permitting boarding activity during most of the time.
- Canada was also present in the area with the FPV "Sir Wilfred Grenfield" only for a couple of days, "Georges R. Pearkes" and "Cape Roger". The cooperation with CAN inspectors was permanent.