



## Joint Deployment Plan NAFO / NEAFC 2015

### NAFO 3<sup>rd</sup> Mission

<b><u>PARTICIPANTS</u></b> Spain – EU/NAFO Inspector Estonia – EU/NAFO Inspector EFCA Coordinator	
<b><u>PERIOD:</u></b> 23 June 2015 – 09 July 2015	<b><u>AREA:</u> NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the EU (SPAIN) FPV <i>TARIFA</i></b>
<b><u>OBJECTIVES</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coordination, technical assistance and support of the Union inspectors on their duties during a NAFO sea-going mission.</li><li>• Control of compliance with NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures, Council Regulations (EC) No. 1386/2007, 2115/05 and 2015/104 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.</li><li>• Control of the reliability of catch reporting and assessment of the level of compliance with by-catch rules.</li><li>• 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.</li></ul>	
<b><u>RESULTS</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12 inspections and 49 sightings of 20 individual vessels were carried out.</li><li>• No infringements were detected during the inspections.</li></ul>	

## **OBSERVATIONS**

- The FPV *TARIFA* left St. John's, Canada, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June to carry out the third mission of the year in the NRA, as scheduled in the NAFO Joint Deployment Plan 2015.
- During the mission, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 12 to 18 and 3 to 5 fishing vessels from other Contracting Parties were also present. The overall number of vessels fishing in the area during this mission varied from 17 to 21.
- The EU fishing vessels were present in all divisions of the NRA but mainly in 3N targeting SKA, in 3LNO targeting RED and in 3M targeting COD and GHL.
- Two USA fishing vessels (a longliner and a trawler) were operating in 3NO targeting HAL.
- The 3 FOR vessels have been mainly fishing for RED in Divisions 3LN.
- On the 1<sup>st</sup> of July almost all vessels moved to Division 3M to the re-opening of the RED fishery, which directed fishery had been suspended since February.
- On the 09<sup>th</sup> of July, *TARIFA* finished the patrol inside the NRA and headed to Ponta Delgada, Azores to disembark the inspection team, on her way back to Spain.
- Canada was present in the NRA with the FPV *CAPE ROGER*, replaced by the end of our mission for the FPV *SIR WILFRED GRENFELL*. 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).