



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO/NEAFC 2018

NEAFC Mission

<u>PARTICIPANTS</u> Spain – 1 EU NEAFC Inspector EFCA Coordinator (acted as EU NEAFC inspector)	
<u>PERIOD:</u> 01/05/2018 to 19/05/2018 Entry to NEAFC RA on 07/05/2018, exit on 17/05/2018	<u>AREA:</u> NEAFC Regulatory Area, ICES XIVb1 and VIb1
<u>OBJECTIVES</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• As a Contracting Party of the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC), the European Union was present in the NEAFC Regulatory Area for 11 days during this mission with the Spanish flagged Naval Vessel <i>TARIFA</i> to undertake Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) duties as scheduled in the merged NAFO / NEAFC JDP decision for 2018.• In accordance with Article 21 of the JDP, inspections of fishing vessels were carried out by one NEAFC inspectors from Spain, and one EFCA coordinator acting as a NEAFC inspector during this mission in all inspections.• The key objectives of this mission were to inspect vessels fishing in the NEAFC Regulatory Area and to undertake general surveillance of fishing activities in the area and in particular regard to Recommendation 1:2018 – Recommendation on Conservation and Management Measures for Deep and Shallow Pelagic Redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters in the NEAFC Convention Area for 2018.• Regular information transmission and exchange; in particular inspection and surveillance data with the EFCA, ES FMC, NEAFC Secretariat and EC DG <i>MARE</i>.	
<u>RESULTS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 121 sightings of fishing vessels were reported.• Four inspections were carried out; no apparent infringements were detected.	
<u>OBSERVATIONS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• During this mission there was a total of 22 fishing vessels present in the operational area and 4 of them flagged to EU MS.• All inspected vessels were sending daily CAT messages• All vessels inspected were in compliance with the requirements of Article 8, 9 and 11 of the NEAFC Scheme of Control and Enforcement.	

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- The observed EU fishing vessels started the redfish fishery in the Irminger Sea on 10th of May, in accordance with the Recommendation 1-2018.
- All the vessels sighted and inspected in NEAFC RA in this mission were in the list of notified and authorized fishing vessels
- Weather conditions were poor for most of the period, with boardings not being able to take place during some days.