



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO 2017

NAFO 2nd Mission

<u>PARTICIPANTS</u> Portugal – 2 EU/NAFO Inspectors Latvia – 1EU/NAFO Inspector EFCA Coordinator	
<u>PERIOD:</u> 6 August – 23 August 2017	<u>AREA:</u> NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the EU (Portuguese) FPV <i>Viana do Castelo</i>
<u>OBJECTIVES</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 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.	
<u>RESULTS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 inspections and 7 sightings of individual vessels were carried out.• No infringements were detected during the inspections.	

OBSERVATIONS

- The FPV *Viana do Castelo* left Lisbon, Portugal on 1st of August and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on the 6th of August to carry out the second mission of the year in the NAFO RA, as scheduled in the NAFO Joint Deployment Plan 2017.
- During the mission the overall number of vessels fishing in the area during this mission varied from 8 to 11, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 4 to 7.
- The EU fishing vessels were present in all divisions of the NAFO RA but mainly in the Divisions 3LN targeting mainly RED and SKA and in division 3O targeting RED.
- Three Russian vessels were operating in 3L targeting RED. One USA was operating in 3N fishing for YEL.
- During the mission CAN FPV *CYGNUS* was present in NAFO RA, there was always communication between the FPV's and CAN authorities to decide which areas to operate in.