



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO / NEAFC 2016

NAFO 4th Mission

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<u>PERIOD:</u> 27 September – 13 October 2016	<u>AREA:</u> NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the EU (SPAIN) FPV <i>ARNOMENDI</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 2016/72 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">• 7 inspections and 7 sightings of 7 individual vessels were carried out.• No infringements were detected during the inspections.	
<u>OBSERVATIONS</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The FPV <i>ARNOMENDI</i> left St. John's – Canada on 27th of September and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on the 29th of September to carry out the fourth mission of the year in the NAFO RA.	

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- During the mission, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 7 to 9 and were also present 2 to 5 fishing vessels from other Contracting Parties. The overall number of vessels fishing in the area during this mission varied from 9 to 13.
- No infringements were detected during the inspections of vessels at sea.
- The weather conditions, 3-4m swell, limited the boarding/inspections during some days in the beginning of the mission, during the rest of the mission the normal weather conditions permitted to carry on boarding.
- During the mission one CAN FPV was also present in the NAFO RA.
- The cooperation with Canada was good. Information on inspection activities and patrol updates were exchanged daily with the FPV operating in the area and the DFO - Offshore Department of Fisheries and Oceans (Canada).
- The FPV *ARNOMENDI* left the NAFO RA on the 9th of October at 08:00 UTC and headed to Ponta Delgada, Azores Islands for its way back to Spain.