



Joint Deployment Plan NAFO 2018

NAFO 4th Campaign

PARTICIPANTS

Estonia – 2 EU/NAFO Inspectors

Portuguese NAFO inspectors could not participate as scheduled

EFCA Coordinator

PERIOD:	AREA:
01 September – 30 September 2018	NAFO REGULATORY AREA, on board the EU (Portuguese) FPV <i>FIGUEIRA DA FOZ</i>

OBJECTIVES

- 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 Redfish (RED) in Division 3M, 3O and 3LN, Greenland halibut (GHL) in Divisions 3LMNO and COD in Division 3M.
- 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>

- 5 inspections, thereat 3 EU vessels and 2 other Contracting Party vesselS.
- 3 sightings of 3 individual vessels.
- 4 infringements on 1 individual vessel.

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OBSERVATIONS

- FPV FIGUEIRA DA FOZ, left Lisbon Portugal on September 1st and entered the NAFO Regulatory Area on September 6th to carry out the forth campaign of the year in the NRA, as scheduled in the NAFO Joint Deployment Plan 2018.
- During the mission, the number of the EU vessels operating in the NAFO RA ranged from 5 to 9 and 1 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 9 to 11.
- The EU fishing vessels were present in all divisions of the NRA but mainly in the in Division 3M were targeting mostly COD, less GHL.
- 4 RUS, 1 JPN and 1 USA vessels were operating in NAFO at the time of the mission.
- Detected infringements were related to the fishing for COD without quota, failure to maintain the fishing logbook and production logbook during the fishing trip and present a capacity plan corresponding all the requirements.
- On September 24th FIGUEIRA DA FOZ, finished the patrol inside the NRA and took the course to Ponta Delgada on Azores islands .
- During this campaign, Canada was present in the NRA with FPV LEONARD J. COWLEY. Regular exchange of information with Canadian colleagues ensured a good cooperation and efficient use of the patrol means.