

AGREED RECORD

**OF CONCLUSIONS OF FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS ON THE MANAGEMENT OF THE
NORWEGIAN SPRING-SPAWNING (ATLANTO-SCANDIAN) HERRING STOCK IN THE
NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FOR 2011**


LONDON, 21 OCTOBER 2010

1. A Delegation of Norway, headed by Ms Sigrun M. HOLST, a Delegation of the European Union, headed by Mr John SPENCER, a Delegation of the Faroe Islands, headed by Mr Andras KRISTIANSEN, a Delegation of Iceland, headed by Mr Kristján Freyr HELGASON, and a Delegation of the Russian Federation headed by Ms Elena SAMOYLOVA, met in London on 20 and 21 October 2010 to consult on the management of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock for 2011.
2. The Delegations agreed to recommend to their respective authorities the arrangement for the regulation of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in 2011 set out in Annex I to this Agreed Record. The Delegations stated their intention of retaining stability in the relative shares of the Parties in arrangements for future years. Furthermore, they agreed to recommend to their respective authorities the long-term management arrangement set out in Annex II.
3. This Agreed Record, including the bilateral arrangements related to the implementation of this Agreed Record, shall be applied provisionally from 1 January 2011 and enter into force when all Parties have notified each other of the completion of their necessary procedures.
4. The Delegations encouraged the Parties to develop their scientific research activities in order to improve the information available for the assessment and the management of this stock.

5. The Delegations agreed to request Norway as host of the consultations, to provide the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC) with a copy of this Agreed Record and its Annexes.

Done at London, 21 October 2010 in five originals in English.

For the Delegation of Norway


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For the Delegation of European Union


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ANNEX I

1. A TAC (total allowable catch) for the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock of 988 000 tonnes is established for 2011.
2. In keeping with the above, the Parties will restrict their fishing on the herring stock in 2011 on the basis of the following quotas:

European Union	64 319 tonnes
Faroe Islands	50 981 tonnes
Iceland	143 359 tonnes
Norway	602 680 tonnes
Russian Federation	126 661 tonnes

3. Each Party may transfer unutilised quantities of up to 10% of the quota allocated to the Party for 2011 to the quota allocated to that Party for 2012. Such transfer shall be in addition to the quota allocated to the Party concerned for 2012.
4. Each Party may authorise fishing by its vessels of up to 10% beyond the quota allocated. All quantities fished beyond the allocated quota for 2011 shall be deducted from the Party's allocation for 2012.
5. The Parties will provide information regarding quotas and catches in the format set out in the Appendix to this Annex. Each Party shall within 1 May 2011 provide updated information to Norway as host of the consultations on management measures for 2011 regarding their total catches in 2010 and on any allocation of quotas to other Parties in 2011. Norway shall forward this information as soon as possible to all Parties of this agreement.
6. Further arrangements, including arrangements for access and other conditions for fishing in the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction of the Parties, are regulated by bilateral arrangements.

ANNEX II

ARRANGEMENT ON THE LONG-TERM MANAGEMENT OF THE NORWEGIAN SPRING- SPAWNING (ATLANTO-SCANDIAN) HERRING STOCK

The Parties agreed to implement a long-term management plan for the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock, which is consistent with a precautionary approach, intended to constrain harvesting within safe biological limits and designed to provide for sustainable fisheries. The plan shall consist of the following:

1. Every effort shall be made to maintain a level Spawning Stock Biomass (SSB) greater than the critical level (B_{lim}) of 2,500,000 tonnes.
2. For 2011 and subsequent years, the Parties agreed to restrict their fishing on the basis of a TAC consistent with a fishing mortality rate of less than 0.125 for appropriate age groups as defined by ICES, unless future scientific advice requires modification of this fishing mortality rate.
3. Should the SSB fall below a reference point of 5,000,000 tonnes (B_{pa}), the fishing mortality rate, referred to under paragraph 2, shall be adapted in the light of scientific estimates of the conditions then prevailing to ensure a safe and rapid recovery of the SSB to a level in excess of 5,000,000 tonnes. The basis for such adaptation should be at least a linear reduction in the fishing mortality rate from 0.125 at B_{pa} (5,000,000 tonnes) to 0.05 at B_{lim} (2,500,000 tonnes).
4. The Parties shall, as appropriate, review and revise these management measures and strategies on the basis of any new advice provided by ICES.

APPENDIX TO ANNEX I

REPORTING OF QUOTAS AND CATCHES OF NORWEGIAN SPRING-SPAWNING (ATLANTO-SCANDIAN) HERRING STOCK

2009	QUOTAS (TONNES)					CATCHES (TONNES)								
	Coastal states' shares	Balance 2008	Quota exchange	Quotas after exchange and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Waters	Faroese Fishing Zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard	Russian Economic Zone	TOTAL CATCH	Balance 2010
Party	106,959	- 2,577	-	104,382	3,228	-	-	-	89,956	-	15,876	-	109,060	- 4,678
European Union	84,779	1,957	-	86,736	5,758	-	-	5,291	59,062	1,883	13,752	-	87,316	- 580
Faroe Islands ¹	238,399	12,026	-	250,425	18,041	-	4,957	193,997	35,848	4,328	-	-	260,170	- 9,745
Iceland	1,002,230	- 36,003	-	966,227	55,996	-	-	-	966,014	119	-	-	1,022,129	- 57,902
Norway	210,633	2,308	-	212,941	36,442	-	-	-	113,079	2,574	57,399	-	209,464	- 3,477
Russian Federation	1,643,000	- 24,289	-	1,618,711	119,465	-	6,527	199,288	1,286,959	8,904	86,997	-	1,688,139	-
Total														

¹ Includes allocation of quota to Greenland and their catches

2010 (preliminary)	QUOTAS (TONNES)					CATCHES (TONNES)								
	Coastal states' shares	Balance 2009	Quota exchange	Quotas after exchange and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Waters	Faroese Fishing Zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard	Russian Economic Zone	TOTAL CATCH	Balance 2011
Party	96,543	- 4,678	-	91,865	8,198	-	-	-	44,112	2,932	16,566	-	71,608	-
European Union	76,523	- 580	-	75,943	-	-	4,360	3,040	26,198	650	-	-	34,247	-
Faroe Islands ¹	215,183	- 9,745	-	205,438	1,123	-	1,651	98,933	1,443	-	-	-	103,150	-
Iceland	904,630	- 57,902	- 10,000	836,728	7,884	2	-	3,131	614,679	650	-	-	626,346	-
Norway	190,121	3,477	10,000	203,598	26,563	-	-	-	22,824	3,531	10,647	-	63,565	-
Russian Federation	1,483,000	- 69,428	-	1,413,572	43,768	2	6,011	105,104	709,255	7,763	-	-	899,116	-
Total														

¹ Includes allocation of quota to Greenland

2011	QUOTAS (TONNES)					CATCHES (TONNES)								
	Coastal states' shares	Balance 2010	Quota exchange	Quotas after exchange and flexibility	NEAFC Regulatory Area	European Union Waters	Faroese Fishing Zone	Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone	Norwegian Economic Zone	Fishery Zone around Mayen	Fishery Protection Zone around Svalbard	Russian Economic Zone	TOTAL CATCH	Balance 2012
Party	64,319	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
European Union	50,981	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faroe Islands	143,359	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iceland	602,680	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norway	126,661	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russian Federation	988,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total														

Guideline for the spreadsheet	
Coastal states' shares	Quota allocated to the Party
Balance	Unutilised/fishing beyond the quota from last year (flexibility)
Quota exchange	Quota exchange between countries
Quotas after exchange and flexibility	New quota

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London, 21 October 2010

With reference to the Agreed Record of Conclusion of Fisheries Consultations on the Management of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in the North-East Atlantic for 2011 between Iceland, the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Norway and the Russian Federation of 21 October 2010, separate bilateral arrangements on access to the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction of the Parties have been concluded.

The following arrangement between the Faroe Islands and Norway will be applied:

Within the framework of the above five party arrangement the Faroe Islands is granted access to fish 30 103 tonnes of herring in areas under Norwegian fisheries jurisdiction north of 62°N, of which a maximum of 22 384 tonnes may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone.

Norway is granted access to fish 23 156 tonnes of herring in the Faroese Fisheries Zone.

Specific conditions pertaining to the conduct of the fishery will be agreed upon at a later stage.

For the Delegation of Norway

For the Delegation of the
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With reference to the Agreed Record signed today between Iceland, the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Norway and the Russian Federation on the management of the Norwegian Spring Spawning Herring (Atlanto-Scandian Herring) in the North-East Atlantic for 2011, the Russian Delegation has requested the Faroese Delegation to consider the possibility for the Russian Federation to fish a limited amount of its quota in the Faroese Fishery Zone.

The Faroese Delegation has expressed its readiness to consider the Russian request. The details will be negotiated separately at a later date.

London, 21 October 2010

For the Delegation of the
Faroe Islands



Andras KRISTIANSEN

For the Delegation of the
Russian Federation



Elena SAMOYLOVA

London, 21 October 2010

With reference to the Agreed Record of Conclusion of Fisheries Consultations on the Management of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in the North-East Atlantic for 2011 between Iceland, the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Norway and the Russian Federation of 21 October 2010, separate bilateral arrangements on access to the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction of the Parties have been concluded.


The following arrangement between Norway and the Russian Federation will be applied:

Within the framework of the above five party arrangement the Russian Federation is granted access to fish 126 661 tonnes of herring in areas under Norwegian fisheries jurisdiction north of 62°N.

For the Delegation of Norway


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For the Delegation of the
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London, 21 October 2010

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The following arrangement between the European Union and Norway will be applied:

Within the framework of the above five party arrangement the European Union is granted access to fish 57 887 tonnes of herring in areas under Norwegian fisheries jurisdiction north of 62°N.

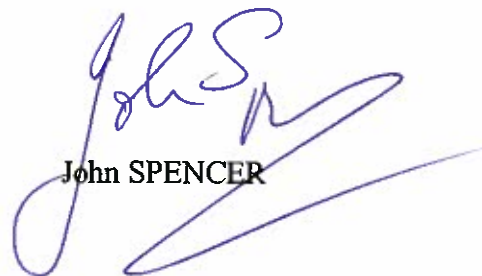
Norway is granted access to fish 57 887 tonnes of herring in European Union waters north of 62°N.

License arrangements are to be agreed upon at a later stage.

For the Delegation of Norway


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ARRANGEMENT

between Iceland and Norway on access to the Norwegian Economic Zone North of 62°N, the Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen and the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone

In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Agreed Record of Conclusion of Fisheries Consultations on the Management of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in the North-East Atlantic for 2011 between Iceland, the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Norway and the Russian Federation of 21 October 2010, separate bilateral arrangements on access to the respective zones of fisheries jurisdiction of the Parties have been concluded.

The following arrangement between Iceland and Norway shall apply:

Icelandic fishing vessels are granted access in 2011 to fish 143 359 tonnes of herring in the Fishery Zone around Jan Mayen or in the Norwegian Economic Zone north of 62°N, of which a maximum of 26 676 tonnes of herring may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone north of 62°N.

Norwegian fishing vessels are granted access in 2011 to fish 69 469 tonnes of herring in the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone.

In the event that Icelandic fishing vessels catch less than 19 760 tonnes of herring in the Norwegian Economic Zone north of 62°N during 2011, Norway will transfer 988 tonnes of its herring quota for 2012 to Iceland.

The Parties will agree upon further provisions on the conditions of the fisheries.

Done at London, 21 October 2010

For the Norwegian Delegation

For the Icelandic Delegation


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ARRANGEMENT
BETWEEN ICELAND AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
ON ACCESS TO THE ICELANDIC EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE IN 2011

1. With reference to the Agreed Record of Conclusions signed today between Iceland, the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Norway and the Russian Federation on the Management of the Norwegian Spring-Spawning (Atlanto-Scandian) herring stock in the North-East Atlantic for 2011, the Delegations of Iceland and the Russian Federation have agreed that Russian fishing vessels shall be granted access in 2011 to take up to 4,256 tonnes of herring within the Icelandic Exclusive Economic Zone outside a line drawn between the following points:
 - A. 64°00'N - 09°00'W
 - B. 67°00'N – 09°00'W
 - C. 69°25'N – 13°00'W
2. The Parties will agree upon further provisions on the conditions of the fisheries.

London, 21 October 2010

For the Delegation of Iceland


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For the Delegation of the Russian Federation


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