AGREEMENT OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN
THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION (IMO)
AND
THE NORTH EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION (NEAFC)

1 The International Maritime Organization (hereinafter referred to as “IMO”) and the North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (hereinafter referred to as “NEAFC”) will consult each other on matters of common interest with a view to ensuring maximum coordination of the work and activities in respect of such matters.

2 Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for safeguarding confidential information, the Secretary-General of IMO and the Secretary of NEAFC will exchange information and keep each other informed of projected activities and programmes of work in fields of common interest. Accordingly, when either entity proposes to initiate a programme or activity on a subject in which the other has or may have a substantial interest, consultation will be initiated between the two with a view to harmonizing their efforts as far as possible, taking into account their respective responsibilities and any decisions or wishes of the appropriate governing bodies of the respective entities.

3 The Secretary-General of IMO will invite the Secretary of NEAFC to send representatives to observe meetings or conferences convened by or under the auspices of IMO to consider matters in which NEAFC has an interest, in accordance with procedures applicable to each meeting or conference. Conversely, the Secretary of NEAFC will invite the Secretary-General of IMO to send observers to meetings or conferences convened by or under the auspices of NEAFC to consider matters in which IMO has an interest, in accordance with the procedures applicable to each meeting or conference.

4 The Secretary-General of IMO and the Secretary of NEAFC may consult on the use of personnel, material, services, equipment and facilities for joint undertakings which may be agreed between them in fields of common interest to IMO and NEAFC.

5 IMO will, at the request of NEAFC, render assistance to NEAFC with respect to matters within the scope of activities of NEAFC; and NEAFC will, at the request of IMO, render assistance to IMO in matters falling within the scope of IMO’s activities. Where assistance, which is required by either party under the terms of this Agreement, involves substantial expenditure, consultation will take place with a view to determining the most equitable manner for meeting such expenditure.

6 It is further agreed that nothing in this Agreement shall bind any of the Member States of NEAFC jointly or severally. Similarly, the Agreement shall not bind any of the Member States of IMO jointly or severally.

7 This Agreement shall be subject to revision by agreement between the Secretary-General of IMO and the Secretary of NEAFC.
8 The Secretary-General of IMO and the Secretary of NEAFC may terminate this Agreement by giving six months’ written notice to the other party.

9 This Agreement shall come into force on its approval by the Assembly of IMO and the appropriate body of NEAFC.

Agreed for NEAFC by:

KJARTAN HOYDAL
Secretary

Date: 10 December 2007

Agreed for IMO by:

E.E. MITROPoulos
Secretary-General

Date: 4 December 2009