Recommendation 2: 2013

THE NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER 2012 ADOPTED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 5 OF THE CONVENTION ON FUTURE MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN NORTH-EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES, A RECOMMENDATION ON CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR NORTHEAST ATLANTIC MACKEREL IN THE NEAFC CONVENTION AREA IN 2013

The Contracting Parties have in accordance with Article 5 of the NEAFC Convention agreed on the following *ad hoc* conservation and management measures for Northeast Atlantic Mackerel for 2013:

1. Denmark (in respect of the Faroe Islands and Greenland), the European Union, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation, shall establish conservation and management measures for their mackerel fisheries in the NEAFC Regulatory Area, *i.e.* areas beyond the fisheries jurisdiction of the Contracting Parties in ICES Subareas and Divisions IIa, V, VI, VII and XII. Such measures shall include catch limits. The established catch limits may also apply within areas of national fisheries jurisdiction of the Contracting Parties.

2. Only vessels flying the flag of a member State of the European Union, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Norway or the Russian Federation, having been authorised by the relevant flag State to fish for mackerel in the NEAFC Regulatory Area, shall be entitled to participate in this fishery.

3. Each Contracting Party shall notify the measures it has taken to the Secretary by 1 May 2013. The Secretary shall notify these measures to the other Contracting Parties.

4. These conservation and management measures shall be without prejudice to any future conservation and management measures to be taken for the mackerel in the North-East Atlantic.