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 2012:

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, VI, VII and XII. Such measures shall include catch limits. The established catch limited 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 2012. The Secretary shall notify these measures to the other Contracting Parties.

4. Quotas that are transferred to a Contracting Party to be fished within waters under national fisheries jurisdiction of another Contracting Party may be fished in the areas defined in paragraph 1, subject to agreement between the Contracting Parties concerned.

5. 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.

6. This recommendation may be revised if the Contracting Parties agree to implement any other conservation and management measures for the North-East Atlantic mackerel in 2012.