Recommendation II : 2007

RECOMMENDATION BY THE NORTH EAST ATLANTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER 2006 TO ADOPT CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR BLUE WHITING IN THE NEAFC AREA IN 2007

1. NEAFC takes notes of the Agreed Record of Conclusion of Fisheries Consultations between the Faroe Islands, the European Community, Iceland and Norway on the Management of Blue Whiting in the North-east Atlantic in 2007 signed in Tórshavn, 27 October 2006.

2. NEAFC further notes that by way of the said Agreed Record, the aforementioned Parties agreed to restrict their fishery on the Blue Whiting Stock in 2007 according to a total catch limitation of 1.7 million tonnes.

3. In accordance with Article 5 of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in North-East Atlantic fisheries, the Contracting Parties recommend the following measure for the Blue Whiting Stock for 2007.

   a. In order to ensure consistency and compatibility with the said Agreed Record, the Contracting Parties hereby establish an allowable catch limitation of 268,550 tonnes of Blue Whiting for 2007 in waters beyond the areas under national fisheries jurisdiction of the Contracting Parties

   b. This allowable catch limitation shall be allocated as follows:

      European Community  37,400 tonnes (*)
      Norway              31,450 tonnes (*)
      Denmark in respect of:
      Faroe Islands       31,450 tonnes (*)
      Greenland           10,000 tonnes
      Iceland             21,250 tonnes (*)
      Russian Federation  137,000 tonnes

      (*) Catches taken under these allocations shall be deducted from quotas allocated to Parties to the Agreed Record referred to in paragraph 2.

4. The national quotas referred to in Annex I of the Agreed Record referred to in paragraph 2 may be fished in the areas defined in paragraph 3 a.