

CONSERVATION MEASURE 143/XVI
Exploratory Fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and
***Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 88.1**
in the 1997/98 Season

The Commission hereby adopts the following Conservation Measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 65/XII:

1. Fishing for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 88.1 shall be limited to the exploratory fishery by New Zealand. The fishery shall be conducted by New Zealand flagged vessels using longlining only.
2. The precautionary catch for Subarea 88.1 shall be limited to 338 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 65°S and 1 172 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. south of 65°S. In the event that these limits are reached, the fishery shall be closed.
3. For the purpose of this exploratory fishery, the fishing season is defined as the period from 15 February until 31 August 1998.
4. The directed fishery for the above species shall be carried out in accordance with Conservation Measures 29/XVI and 133/XVI.
5. Each vessel participating in the exploratory fishery will be required to operate a VMS¹ at all times.

¹ As described in Resolution 12/XVI.