

CONSERVATION MEASURE 206/XIX
Exploratory Longline Fishery for *Dissostichus* spp.
on Elan Bank (Statistical Division 58.4.3) outside Areas
under National Jurisdictions in the 2000/01 Season

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

1. Fishing for *Dissostichus* spp. on Elan Bank in Statistical Division 58.4.3 outside areas under national jurisdictions by the longline method shall be limited to the exploratory longline fishery by Argentina and France. The fishery shall be conducted by Argentinian and French-flagged vessels using longlining only. No more than one vessel per country shall fish at any one time.
2. Elan Bank is defined as waters within the latitudes 55°S and 62°S and longitudes 60°E and 73°30'E outside areas of national jurisdiction.
3. The precautionary catch limit of *Dissostichus* spp. for this exploratory longline fishery shall be limited to 250 tonnes on Elan Bank.
4. The by-catch in this exploratory fishery shall be regulated as set out in Conservation Measure 201/XIX.
5. For the purpose of this exploratory longline fishery, the 2000/01 fishing season is defined as the period from 1 May to 31 August 2001.
6. The exploratory longline fishery for the above species shall be carried out in accordance with Conservation Measures 29/XIX and 200/XIX.
7. Each vessel participating in this exploratory longline fishery will be required to operate a VMS at all times, in accordance with Conservation Measure 148/XVII.