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ANNEX

Annexes IA, IG, IH, VI, IX and XI to Regulation (EU) 2024/257 are amended as follows:

(1) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 1 is replaced by the following:

Table 1				
Species:	Sandeel and associated by-catches <i>Ammodytes</i> spp.		Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union waters of 3a
Denmark	158 096	(1)	Analytical TAC	
Germany	241	(1)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Sweden	5 805	(1)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	164 142			
United Kingdom	5 269			
TAC	169 411			
(1)	Up to 2 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of whiting and mackerel (OT1/*2A3A4X). By-catches of whiting and mackerel counted against the quota pursuant to this provision and by-catches of species counted against the quota pursuant to Article 15(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall, together, not exceed 9 % of the quota.			

Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following sandeel management areas, as defined in Annex III:

Zone: Union waters of sandeel management areas

	1r	2r	3r	4	5r	6	7r
	(SAN/234_1R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_2R) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_3R) ⁽²⁾	(SAN/234_4)	(SAN/234_5R)	(SAN/234_6) ⁽¹⁾	(SAN/234_7R)
Denmark	119 773	33 526	4 666	0	0	131	0
Germany	183	51	7	0	0	0	0
Sweden	4 398	1 231	171	0	0	5	0
Union	124 354	34 808	4 844	0	0	136	0
United Kingdom	3 992	1 117	156	0	0	4	0
Total	128 346	35 925	5 000	0	0	140	0

(1) Up to 10 % of this quota can be banked and used in the following year only within this management area.

(2) This quota may only be fished in Union waters of sandeel management area 3r as monitoring TAC with an associated sampling protocol for the fishery.

(2) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 29 is replaced by the following:

Table 29			
Species:	Witch flounder <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (WIT/03A-C.)
Denmark	542 (1)	Analytical TAC	
Germany	1 (1)		
Netherlands	1 (1)		
Sweden	113 (1)		
Union	657 (1)		
TAC	657		
(1)	Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C1).		

(3) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 60 is replaced by the following:

Table 60					
Species:	Lemon sole and witch flounder <i>Microstomus kitt</i> and <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>		Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (L/W/2AC4-C)		
Belgium	121	Precautionary TAC			
Denmark	335				
Germany	43				
France	92				
Netherlands	278				
Sweden	4				
Union	873 (3)(4)				
United Kingdom	1 666 (1)(2)				
TAC	2 539				
(1)	Of which up to 1 125 tonnes of lemon sole may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (LEM/*07D.).				
(2)	Of which up to 541 tonnes of witch flounder may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WIT/*07D.).				

- (3) Of which up to 590 tonnes of lemon sole may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C); Union waters of 3a (LEM/*03A-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (LEM/*07D.).

Belgium	82
Denmark	226
Germany	29
France	62
Netherlands	188
Sweden	3

- (4) Of which up to 283 tonnes of witch flounder may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (WIT/*2AC4-C), Union waters of 3a (WIT/*03A-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (WIT/*07D.).

Belgium	39
Denmark	109
Germany	14
France	30
Netherlands	90
Sweden	1

(4) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 61 is replaced by the following:

Table 61			
Species:	Lemon sole	Zone:	Union waters of 3a
	<i>Microstomus kitt</i>		(LEM/03A-C.)
Denmark	170	Analytical TAC	
	(1)		
Germany	2		
	(1)		
Netherlands	10		
	(1)		
Sweden	5		
	(1)		
Union	187		
	(1)		
TAC	187		
(1)	Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEM/*2AC4-C1).		

(5) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 68 is replaced by the following:

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Table 68			
Species:	Ling	Zone:	Union waters of 3a
	<i>Molva molva</i>		(LIN/03A-C.)
Belgium	11	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	88		
Germany	11		
Sweden	34		
Union	144		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	144		

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(6) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 73 is replaced by the following:

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Table 73			
Species:	Norway lobster <i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (NEP/2AC4-C)
Belgium	1 107,5	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	1 107,5	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	16		
France	33		
Netherlands	570		
Union	2 834		
United Kingdom	18 350		
TAC	21 184		

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(7) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 78 is replaced by the following:

Table 78			
Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>		Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (PRA/2AC4-C)
Denmark	588	(1)	Precautionary TAC
Netherlands	6	(1)	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Sweden	24	(1)	
Union	618	(1)	
United Kingdom	174	(1)	
TAC	792	(1)	
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for Northern prawn are permitted under this quota.		

(8) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 79 is replaced by the following:

Table 79		
Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone: Norwegian waters south of 62°N (PRA/4N-S62)
Denmark	50	Analytical TAC
Sweden	123 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	173	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
TAC	Not relevant	
⁽¹⁾	By-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.	

(9) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 93 is replaced by the following:

Table 93			
Species:	Turbot and brill <i>Scophthalmus maximus</i> and <i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>		Zone: United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (T/B/2AC4-C)
Belgium	251	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	537	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	137		
France	65		
Netherlands	1 904		
Sweden	4		
Union	2 898	(3)(4)	
United Kingdom	708	(1)(2)	
TAC	3 606		
(1)	Of which up to 400 tonnes of turbot may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (TUR/*2AC4-C).		
(2)	Of which up to 308 tonnes of brill may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d and 7e (BLL/*7DE.).		

- (3) Of which up to 1 638 tonnes of turbot may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (TUR/*2AC4-C).

Belgium	142
Denmark	303
Germany	77
France	37
Netherlands	1 077
Sweden	2

- (4) Of which up to 1 260 tonnes of brill may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 and United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C); Union waters of 3a (BLL/*03A-C); and United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d and 7e (BLL/*7DE.).

Belgium	109
Denmark	233
Germany	60
France	28
Netherlands	828
Sweden	2

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(10) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 94 is replaced by the following:

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Table 94			
Species:	Brill	Zone:	Union waters of 3a
	<i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i>		(BLL/03A-C.)
Denmark	116	(1)	Analytical TAC
Germany	0	(1)	
Netherlands	11	(1)	
Sweden	21	(1)	
Union	148	(1)	
TAC	148		
(1)	Of which up to 100 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (BLL/*2AC4-C1).		

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(11) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 98 is replaced by the following:

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Table 98			
Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k (SRX/67AKXD)
Belgium	824	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	5	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
France	3 702	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Germany	11	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Ireland	1 191	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Lithuania	19	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Netherlands	3	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Portugal	20	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Spain	996	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
Union	6 771	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
United Kingdom	2 985	(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	
TAC	9 756	(3)(4)(5)	
(1)	Catches of cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/67AKXD), thornback ray (<i>Raja clavata</i>) (RJC/67AKXD), blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) (RJH/67AKXD), spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/67AKXD), sandy ray (<i>Leucoraja circularis</i>) (RJI/67AKXD) and shagreen ray (<i>Leucoraja fullonica</i>) (RJF/67AKXD) shall be reported separately.		
(2)	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 7d (SRX/*07D.), without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein. Catches of cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/*07D.), thornback ray (<i>Raja clavata</i>) (RJC/*07D.), blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) (RJH/*07D.), spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/*07D.), sandy ray (<i>Leucoraja circularis</i>) (RJI/*07D.) and shagreen ray (<i>Leucoraja fullonica</i>) (RJF/*07D.) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (<i>Raja microocellata</i>) and undulate ray (<i>Raja undulata</i>).		

- (3) Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*). Catches of this species in 7e shall be counted against the quantities provided for in that separate TAC (RJU/7DE.). When accidentally caught in 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7f-k, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.
- (4) Shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*), except in 7e, 7f and 7g. When accidentally caught, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishers shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species. Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities of small-eyed ray in 7f and 7g provided below may be taken.

Species:	Small-eyed ray <i>Raja microocellata</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (RJE/7FG.)
Belgium	5	(1)	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	0	(1)	
France	22	(1)	
Germany	0	(1)	
Ireland	7	(1)	
Lithuania	0	(1)	
Netherlands	0	(1)	
Portugal	0	(1)	
Spain	6	(1)	
Union	40	(1)	
United Kingdom	46	(1)	
TAC	86		

- (1) Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in 7d and reported under the following code: (RJE/*07D.). This special condition is without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Union and United Kingdom law for the areas specified therein.

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Within the limits of the abovementioned quota, no more than the quantities of small-eyed ray provided below may be taken in division 7e so as to allow for a sentinel fishery for the purpose of fisheries-based data collection for the stock as assessed by ICES.

Species:	Small-eyed ray <i>Raja microocellata</i>	Zone:	7e (RJE/07E.)
Belgium	1	(1)	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	0	(1)	
France	6	(1)	
Germany	0	(1)	
Ireland	2	(1)	
Lithuania	0	(1)	
Netherlands	0	(1)	
Portugal	0	(1)	
Spain	2	(1)	
Union	11	(1)	
United Kingdom	5	(1)	
TAC	16		

- (1) Only vessels participating in sentinel fishery “monitoring programmes” for small-eyed ray in 7e may land catch of this stock. Specimens caught by other vessels shall not be harmed and shall be promptly released. Each Party shall independently determine how to allocate its quota to the vessels participating in its monitoring programmes. Participating vessels will be required to collect and share data on: landings and discards, and preferably biological characteristic data of the catch (length, weight and sex).

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(12) In Annex IA, Part B, the tables in footnote 2 to Table 101 are replaced by the following:

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 8 (RJU/8-C.)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC	
France	13 (1)		
Portugal	10		
Spain	10 (2)		
Union	33		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	33		
(1)	An additional 28,5 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. Catches from this additional allocation shall be reported separately (RJU/8-C.SEN). France shall communicate the name(s)of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches. This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.		
(2)	An additional 21,5 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. Catches from this additional allocation shall be reported separately (RJU/8-C.SEN). Spain shall communicate the name(s)of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches. This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.		

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 9 (RJU/9-C.)
Belgium	0	Precautionary TAC	
France	20		
Portugal	15 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	15		
Union	50		
United Kingdom	0		
TAC	50		

(1) An additional 50 tonnes may be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as designed by a national scientific institute. Catches from this additional allocation shall be reported separately (RJU/9-C.SEN). Portugal shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches. This shall be without prejudice to the relative stability.

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(13) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 103 is replaced by the following:

Table 103			
Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union and United Kingdom waters of 4; Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/2A34-N)
Belgium	476	(1)(2)	Analytical TAC
Denmark	27 882	(1)(2)(4)	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	496	(1)(2)	
France	1 498	(1)(2)	
Netherlands	1 508	(1)(2)	
Sweden	4 569	(1)(2)(3)	
Union	36 429	(1)(2)	
TAC	739 386		

(1) Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones.

	3a (MAC/* 03A.)	United Kingdom and Union waters of 3a, 4b and 4c (MAC/*3A4BC)	4b (MAC/* 04B.)	4c (MAC/* 04C.)	United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (MAC/*2AX14)
Belgium	0	0	0	0	286
Denmark	0	4 130	0	0	9 774
Germany	0	0	0	0	298
France	0	490	0	0	899
Netherlands	0	490	0	0	905
Sweden	0	0	390	10	2 741
Union	0	5 110	390	10	14 903

- (2) Within the limits of these quotas, and in agreement with the relevant coastal State, no more than the quantities given below may also be taken in the two following zones:

	Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*02 A4AN-)	Faroese waters (MAC/*FRO1)
Belgium	0	To be established
Denmark	0	To be established
Germany	0	To be established
France	0	To be established
Netherlands	0	To be established
Sweden	0	To be established
Union	0	To be established

- (3) Special condition: including the following tonnage to be taken in Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*2A4AN):

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When fishing under this special condition, by-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.

- (4) Within the limits of this quota, the following transfers are made by Denmark to be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6, 7, 8d; Union waters of 8a, 8b and 8e; international waters of 12 and 14; and United Kingdom and international waters of 2a and 5b (MAC/*2A14):

Germany	531
Spain	1
Estonia	4
France	354
Ireland	1 769
Latvia	3
Lithuania	3
Netherlands	774
Poland	37

(14) In Annex IA, Part B, footnote 1 to Table 106 is replaced by the following:

‘(1) May be fished only in Union waters of 4 (SOL/*04-EU).’

(15) In Annex IA, Part B, Table 111 is replaced by the following:

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Table 111			
Species:	Common sole	Zone:	7f and 7g
	<i>Solea solea</i>		(SOL/7FG.)
Belgium	730	Analytical TAC Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	73		
Ireland	37		
Union	840		
United Kingdom	405		
TAC	1 267		

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(16) In Annex ID, Tables 7, 8, 11, 14, 15 and 16 are replaced by the following:

Table 7		
Species:	Northern Albacore <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Zone: Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (ALB/AN05N)
Ireland	4 310,57	Analytical TAC
Spain	24 295,97	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
France	7 641,47	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Portugal	2 664,72	
Union	38 912,73	(1)(2)
TAC	47 251	
(1)	The number of Union fishing vessels fishing for Northern albacore as a target species shall be: 1 241.	
(2)	Special condition: Within the limit of this quota, no more than the following quantity may be taken in United Kingdom waters (ALB/*AN05N-UK): 280,00.	

Table 8		
Species:	Southern Albacore <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Zone: Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (ALB/AS05N)
Spain	1 051,30	Analytical TAC
France	345,49	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Portugal	735,71	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	2 132,50	
TAC	28 000	

Table 11

Species: Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>			Zone: Atlantic Ocean (BET/ATLANT)
Spain	8 079,90	(1)	Analytical TAC
France	3 431,99	(1)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Portugal	3 067,50	(1)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	14 579,39	(1)	
TAC	62 000	(1)	
(1) Catches of bigeye tuna by purse seiners (BET/*ATLPS) and longliners with an overall length of 20 metres and above (BET/*ATLLL) shall be reported separately. As of June, when catches reach 80 % of the quota, Member States are required to transmit the catches for these fishing vessels on a weekly basis.			

Table 14

Species: Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>			Zone: Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (SWO/AN05N)
Spain	6 294,13	(2)	Analytical TAC
Portugal	1 143,97	(2)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Other Member States	168,10	(1)(2)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	7 606,20		
TAC	13 200		
(1) Exclusively for by-catches. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (SWO/AN05N_AMS).			
(2) Special condition: up to 2,39 % of this quantity may be fished in the Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (SWO/*AS05N). Catches to be counted against the special condition of the shared quota shall be reported separately (SWO/*AS05N_AMS).			

Table 15

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, south of 5°N (SWO/AS05N)
Spain	4 978,46	(1)	Analytical TAC
Portugal	327,94	(1)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	5 306,40		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
TAC	10 000		

(1) Special condition: up to 3,51 % of this quantity may be fished in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (SWO/*AN05N).

Table 16

Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>	Zone:	Mediterranean Sea (SWO/MED)
Croatia	13,74	(1)(2)	Analytical TAC
Cyprus	50,67	(1)(2)	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Spain	1 565,04	(1)(2)	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
France	109,08	(1)(2)	
Greece	1 036,02	(1)(2)	
Italy	3 208,44	(1)(2)	
Malta	380,64	(1)(2)	
Union	6 363,63	(1)(2)	
TAC	9 017		

(1) This quota may be fished only from 1 April to 31 December.

(2) Special condition: by-catches of Mediterranean swordfish are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (SWO/MED-BC). Dead catches of Mediterranean swordfish from sport and recreational fisheries are to be counted against this quota, but shall be reported separately (SWO/MED-SR).

(17) In Annex ID, footnotes 5 and 6 to Table 12 are replaced by the following:

(5) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocations between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 3 of Annex VI (BFT/*643):

Italy	105,66
Union	105,60

(6) Special condition: within this TAC, the following catch limits and allocations between Member States shall apply to catches of bluefin tuna between 8 kg/75 cm and 30 kg/115 cm by the vessels referred to in point 3 of Annex VI for farming purposes (BFT/*8303F):

Croatia	952,17
Union	952,17

(18) Annex IF is replaced by the following:

‘ANNEX IF

SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA – AREAS OF DISTRIBUTION

Species:	Southern bluefin tuna <i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>	Zone:	All areas of distribution (SBF/F41-81)
Union	13 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
TAC	20 642	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
		Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.		

(19) Annex IG is replaced by the following:

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ANNEX IG
WCPFC CONVENTION AREA

Table 1			
Species:	Bigeye tuna <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	Zone:	WCPFC Convention area (BET/WCPFC)
Union	2 000 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	Not relevant ⁽¹⁾		
⁽¹⁾ This quota may only be fished by vessels using longlines.			

Table 2			
Species:	Swordfish <i>Xiphias gladius</i>	Zone:	WCPFC Convention area south of 20°S (SWO/F7120S)
Union	3 170,36	Precautionary TAC	
TAC	Not relevant		

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(20) Annex IH is replaced by the following:

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ANNEX IH
SPRFMO CONVENTION AREA

Table 1			
Species:	Toothfishes <i>Dissostichus</i> spp.		Zone: SPRFMO Convention area, research blocks A and B ⁽¹⁾ (TOT/SPR-AB)
TAC	162	(2)(3)(4)	Precautionary TAC
(1)	Research block A:		
	– NW	50°30’S, 136°E	
	– NE	50°30’S, 140°30’E	
	– SE	54°50’S, 140°30’E	
	– SW	54°50’S, 136°E	
	Research block B:		
	– NW	52°45’S, 140°30’E	
	– NE	52°45’S, 145°30’E	
	– SE	54°50’S, 145°30’E	
	– SW	54°50’S, 140°30’E	

(2) This annual TAC is for exploratory fisheries only. Fishing shall be limited to depths between 600 m and 2 500 m. Fishing shall be limited to one trip of a maximum duration of 60 consecutive days which may occur any time between 1 May and 15 November 2024. From 1 to 15 November 2024, longlines shall be set at night-time only and all fishing shall cease immediately if the death of the following occurs:

- a) one specimen of any of the following species: wandering albatross (*Diomedea exulans*), grey-headed albatross (*Thalassarche chrysostoma*), black-browed albatross (*Thalassarche melanophris*), grey petrel (*Procellaria cinerea*), soft-plumaged petrel (*Pterodroma mollis*); or
- b) three specimens of any of the following species: light-mantled albatross (*Phoebastria palpebrata*), southern giant petrel (*Macronectes giganteus*) and northern giant petrel (*Macronectes halli*).

Fishing shall further be limited to a maximum number of 5 000 hooks per set, with a maximum of 100 sets. Longlines shall be set at least 3 nautical miles apart from each other, and not set at previous longline locations within one calendar year. Fishing shall cease either when the TAC is reached or if 100 sets have been set and hauled during the trip, whichever is earlier.

(3) Of which up to 129 tonnes may be fished in research block A. Catches of toothfishes in research block A shall be reported separately (TOT/SPR-A).

(4) Of which up to 33 tonnes may be fished in research block B. Catches of toothfishes in research block B shall be reported separately (TOT/SPR-B).

Table 2			
Species:	Jack mackerel <i>Trachurus murphyi</i>	Zone:	SPRFMO Convention area (CJM/SPRFMO)
Germany	18 622,82	Analytical TAC	
Netherlands	20 185,21	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Lithuania	12 958,23	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Poland	22 280,74		
Union	74 047,00		
TAC	Not relevant		

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(21) In Annex VI, point 4 is replaced by the following:

- ‘4. Maximum number of fishing vessels of each Member State that may be authorised to fish for, retain on board, tranship, transport or land bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean

Table A

	Number of fishing vessels ⁽¹⁾							
	Greece ⁽²⁾	Spain	France	Croatia	Italy	Cyprus ⁽³⁾	Malta ⁽⁴⁾	Portugal
Purse seiners ⁽⁵⁾	0	7	22	18	21	1	2	0
Longliners	0	38	23	0	40	17	63	0
Baitboats	0	66	8	0	0	0	0	0
Handline	0	1	47	24	0	0	0	0
Trawlers	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0
Small-scale coastal	64	696	89	0	0	0	0	0
Other artisanal ⁽⁶⁾	41	0	60	0	142	0	240	76
<p>(1) The numbers in this table may be further increased, provided that the Union's international obligations are complied with.</p> <p>(2) One medium-size purse seiner has been replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels, or by one small purse seiner and three other artisanal vessels.</p> <p>(3) One medium-size purse seiner may be replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels, or by one small purse seiner and no more than three longline vessels.</p> <p>(4) One medium-size purse seiner may be replaced by no more than 10 longline vessels.</p> <p>(5) The individual numbers of purse seiners in this table are the result of transfers between Member States and do not constitute historical rights for the future.</p> <p>(6) Polyvalent vessels, using multi-gear equipment (longline, handline, trolling line).</p>								

(22) In Annex VI, point 5 is replaced by the following:

- ‘5. Maximum number of traps engaged in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean bluefin tuna fishery authorised by each Member State

Maximum number of traps	
Member State	Number of traps
Spain	6
Italy	5
Portugal	2

(23) In Annex VI, point 6 is replaced by the following:

- ‘6. Maximum bluefin tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity for each Member State and maximum input of wild-caught bluefin tuna that each Member State may allocate to its farms in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean

Table A

Maximum tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity		
	Number of farms	Capacity (in tonnes)
Greece	0	0
Spain	7	15 860,72
Croatia	4	7 880,00
Italy	3	1 160,00
Cyprus	0	0
Malta	6	17 213,00
Portugal	2	667

Table B

Maximum input of wild-caught bluefin tuna (in tonnes)	
Greece	0
Spain	11 329,09
Croatia	3 225,10
Italy	610,00
Cyprus	0
Malta	12 295,00
Portugal	517,00

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- (24) Annex IX is replaced by the following:

‘ANNEX IX
WCPFC CONVENTION AREA

1. Maximum number of Union fishing vessels using longlines authorised to fish for swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in areas south of 20°S of the WCPFC Convention area

Spain	14
Union	14

2. Maximum number of Union purse seiners authorised to fish for tropical tuna in areas between 20°N and 20°S of the WCPFC Convention area

Spain	4
Union	4

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(25) In Annex XI, point 2 is replaced by the following:

- ‘2. In Annex IA, Part B, to Regulation (EU) 2023/194, the tables for mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*) in Union waters of ICES division 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d; United Kingdom waters of division 2a; Union and United Kingdom waters of ICES subarea 4; and in Norwegian waters of divisions 2a and 4a are replaced by the following:

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Species:	Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d; United Kingdom waters of 2a; Union and United Kingdom waters of 4; Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/2A34-N)
Belgium	501 (1)(2)	Analytical TAC Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Denmark	29 446 (1)(2)(4)		
Germany	523 (1)(2)		
France	1 579 (1)(2)		
Netherlands	1 589 (1)(2)		
Sweden	4 743 (1)(2)(3)		
Union	38 381 (1)(2)		
TAC	782 066		

- (1) Special condition: within the limits of these quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones.

	3a	United Kingdom and Union waters of 3a, 4b and 4c	4b	4c	United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14
	(MAC/*03 A.)	(MAC/*3A4 BC)	(MAC/*04B.)	(MAC/*04C.)	(MAC/*2AX14)
Belgium	0	0	0	0	301
Denmark	0	4 130	0	0	10 312
Germany	0	0	0	0	314
France	0	490	0	0	947
Netherlands	0	490	0	0	953
Sweden	0	0	390	10	2 846
Union	0	5 110	390	10	15 673

- (2) Within the limits of these quotas, and in agreement with the relevant coastal State, no more than the quantities given below may also be taken in the two following zones:

	Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*02A4A N-)	Faroese waters (MAC/*FR O1)
Belgium	0	0
Denmark	0	0
Germany	0	0
France	0	0
Netherlands	0	0
Sweden	0	0
Union	0	0

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- (3) Special condition: including the following tonnage to be taken in Norwegian waters of 2a and 4a (MAC/*2A4AN):

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When fishing under this special condition, by-catches of cod, haddock, pollack, whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for these species.

- (4) Within the limits of this quota, the following transfers are made by Denmark to be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 6, 7, 8d; Union waters of 8a, 8b and 8e; international waters of 12 and 14; and United Kingdom and international waters of 2a and 5b (MAC/*2A14):

Germany	749
Spain	1
Estonia	6
France	499
Ireland	2 495
Latvia	5
Lithuania	5
Netherlands	1 092
Poland	53

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