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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION

amending Regulations (EU) 2019/1919, (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 as regards certain fishing opportunities for 2021 in Union and non-Union waters

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. CONTEXT OF THE PROPOSAL

- **Reasons for and objectives of the proposal**

Council Regulation (EU) No 2019/1919

The Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania¹ establishes a framework for the legal, environmental, economic and social governance of fishing activities carried out by Union vessels in the waters under Mauritanian jurisdiction. The Protocol on the implementation of the Agreement² provides for fishing opportunities for Union vessels in seven categories.

The Protocol was extended by an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the Union and Mauritania on 15 November 2020³.

Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919⁴, which allocates the fishing opportunities under the Agreement between the EU Member States, currently still includes the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK).

On 31 January 2021, the UK withdrew from the European Union on the basis of Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union. In the Withdrawal Agreement⁵, a transition period was decided that ended on 31 December 2020. Union law has therefore not been applicable to the UK since 1 January 2021.

The fishing opportunities attributed to the UK should therefore be removed from Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 and reallocated as from 1 January 2021. This proposal amends the Regulation so as to redistribute the UK's fishing opportunities among the Member States benefiting from fishing opportunities in the same category in proportion to Member States' allocations. This allocation does not prejudice future allocations under the next Protocols. This proposal amends the Regulation so to withdraw the quarterly licences held by the UK.

¹ Council Regulation (EC) No 1801/2006 of 30 November 2006 on the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania (OJ L 343, 8.12.2006, p. 1).

² Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania for a period of four years (OJ L 315, 1.12.2015, p. 3).

³ Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on an extension to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, expiring on 15 November 2020 (OJ L 383, 16.11.2020, p. 3).

⁴ Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 of 8 November 2019 on the allocation of the fishing opportunities under the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania (OJ L 297I, 18.11.2019, p. 5).

⁵ Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (OJ L 29, 31.1.2020, p. 7).

Provisional TACs under Article 499 TCA for fishing opportunities in 2021 and certain stocks in 2022 under Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/91 and Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92

Since January 2021, the situation of the EU fishing industry has changed, including the applicable legal framework to the fisheries management of the EU and the UK for their respective regulatory areas. As signatories to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement⁶ (TCA), and considering their potentially differing policy considerations and orientations, both the EU and the UK exercised their respective roles for the first time during lengthy, but eventually successful consultations, culminating in agreement on definitive TACs for 2021 and 2022 for certain stocks.

In the absence of an agreement with the UK on fishing opportunities as from the beginning of 2021, each Party applied provisional TACs under Article 499 TCA for stocks shared between the EU and the UK. In Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/91⁷ and Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92⁸, the EU set provisional TACs applicable until 31 July 2021 for vessels fishing in EU, third country and international waters. Those provisional TACs aimed to ensure the continuation of sustainable EU fishing activities in view of the then ongoing EU-UK consultations.

Consultations with the UK on fishing opportunities under Article 498 TCA

The Union conducted consultations with the UK in accordance with the provisions of the TCA, with the objectives and principles set out in Articles 2, 3, 28 and 33 of the CFP Regulation⁹ as well as Articles 4 and 5 of the Western Waters¹⁰ and North Sea¹¹ multiannual plans (MAPs), and the Council Decision establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the

⁶ Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part, OJ L 149, 30.4.2021, p. 10–2539.

⁷ Council Regulation (EU) 2021/91 of 28 January 2021 fixing, for the years 2021 and 2022, the fishing opportunities for Union fishing vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks (OJ L 31, 29.1.2021, p. 20–30).

⁸ Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92 of 28 January 2021 fixing for 2021 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, OJ L 31 of 29.1.2021, p. 31.

⁹ Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC, OJ L 354 of 28.12.2013, p. 22.

¹⁰ Regulation (EU) 2019/472 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2019 establishing a multiannual plan for stocks fished in the Western Waters and adjacent waters, and for fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulations (EU) 2016/1139 and (EU) 2018/973, and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007 and (EC) No 1300/2008, OJ L 83 of 25.3.2019, p. 1.

¹¹ Regulation (EU) 2018/973 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 establishing a multiannual plan for demersal stocks in the North Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks, specifying details of the implementation of the landing obligation in the North Sea and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 676/2007 and (EC) No 1342/2008, OJ L 179 of 16.7.2018, p. 1.

Union in the consultations with the United Kingdom to agree on fishing opportunities for shared stocks for 2021 and, for certain deep-sea stocks, for 2021 and 2022¹².

Consultations were conducted by the Commission in full coordination with the Council. The PECH Committee of the European Parliament was involved through periodic information and update sessions.

When agreeing during the consultations to targeted and by-catch stocks TAC levels, the Commission based itself on the requirements of the TCA and the EU applicable legal framework. Similarly, when agreeing during the consultations to analytical and precautionary approach stocks, the Commission based itself on the best available scientific advice, in particular that of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES).

On 2 June 2021, the Commission agreed in principle with the UK on the setting of a large number of TACs, pursuant to Articles 498(2), (4)(a) to (4)(d) and (6) of the TCA for 2021 (stocks listed in Annex 35 TCA). The agreement in principle was laid down in the Written Record, which was signed by the Heads of Delegation of the UK and by the Commission representative on behalf of the Union, on 11 June 2021 in accordance with Article 498(6) of the TCA. The Council endorsed the agreement on 11 June by Decision based on Council document 9512/21 PECH/UK 145.

The conclusion of these consultations introduces agreed and ensured fishing opportunities for both the EU and the UK for 2021 (and for some deep-sea stocks for 2022), under access provisions that allow the vessels of each party to exploit these fishing opportunities in each other's waters.

In the absence of an agreed conclusion of the consultations and the associated compromises necessary in some specific cases, no agreed TACs would be in place. Unilateral TAC setting by the EU and the UK would have jeopardised both the sustainable management of these shared stocks and the level playing field for Union operators as referred to in the TCA and in Article 33 of the CFP.

It is therefore necessary to replace the provisional TACs that were established in Regulation (EU) 2021/91 and Regulation (EU) 2021/92 with definitive fishing opportunities in view of the written record agreed with the UK. Such fishing opportunities for 2021 (and for some deep-sea stocks for 2022) will allow for the conduct of fishing activities in an environmentally sustainable way in the long-term, managed in ways consistent with the objectives of achieving economic, social and employment benefits and contributing to the availability of food supplies, including promotion of a level playing field for Union operators where stocks are shared with third countries in both Union other (including third country waters).

The TACs for the stocks listed in Annex 35 to the TCA apply in 2021, whereas the TACs for certain deep-sea stocks cover the period 2021 and 2022.

¹² Council Decision establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the Union in the consultations with the United Kingdom to agree on fishing opportunities for shared stocks for 2021 and, for certain deep-sea stocks, for 2021 and 2022 of 5 March 2021, NO 6414/21.

Commission proposal to implement the Written Record agreed under Article 498 TCA to amend Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/91 and Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92

In adopting its proposal for the implementation of the agreed Written Record for particular TAC levels, the Commission has considered various parameters, including: (i) the flexibilities provided under the CFP Regulation due to the implementation of the landing obligation; (ii) the need to address mixed fisheries considerations and choking situations; (iii) the possibilities for quota transfers both within the EU and with the UK; (iv) TAC deductions stemming from exemptions to the landing obligation; (v) the level of EU share in the stock in a particular geographical area; (vi) the fishing uptake of the stock in 2020; (vii) the need to ensure significant growth in the biomass of stocks below Blim; and (viii) the precautionary principle under Article 4(8) of the CFP.

Articles 15 to 17 of Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92 established technical measures, including remedial measures within the meaning of the Western Waters MAP, that aimed at decreasing by-catches of cod and whiting in the Celtic Sea and adjacent areas and gadoids in the Irish Sea and West of Scotland. These measures were functionally linked to the TAC levels for target species caught in mixed fisheries, as, without those measures, such TAC levels would have had to be reduced to allow for the recovery of the by-catch stocks. Although no further technical measures were agreed with the UK in particular for fish stocks caught in mixed fisheries, such technical measures remain necessary to allow the setting of the TACs of target species at levels proposed in this Regulation. The Commission therefore proposes to maintain the technical measures functionally linked to the fishing opportunities established by Articles 15 to 17 of Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92, that lead to higher selectivity in the fishing for the healthy targeted stocks without jeopardising the state of the unavoidable bycatch stocks in Union waters. Those measures shall apply until the date on which a delegated act adopted in accordance with Article 15(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1241¹³ and amending Annex VI of that Regulation by introducing corresponding technical measures for the North Western Waters becomes applicable. The joint recommendation proposing the adoption of the corresponding technical measures by a delegated act and submitted by the Member States was positively assessed by STECF. In absence of any technical measures agreed with the UK, the measures proposed in that joint recommendation are not impacted by the Written Record, and they can be included in the delegated act currently under preparation.

Other provisions related to fishing opportunities for 2021

The proposal also addresses the outcome of the EU and the Faroe Islands annual consultations on exchanges for certain TACs and access to each Party's waters.

¹³ Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on the conservation of fisheries resources and the protection of marine ecosystems through technical measures, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1224/2009 and Regulations (EU) No 1380/2013, (EU) 2016/1139, (EU) 2018/973, (EU) 2019/472 and (EU) 2019/1022 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 894/97, (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2549/2000, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 812/2004 and (EC) No 2187/2005, OJ L 198 of 25.7.2019, p. 105.

The proposal also addresses the need to set definitive fishing opportunities for anchovy in the ICES areas 9 and 10, after the release of the scientific advice.

- **Consistency with existing policy provisions in the policy area**

The measures proposed are designed in accordance with the objectives and the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy and are consistent with the Union's policy on sustainable development.

- **Consistency with other Union policies**

The measures proposed are consistent with other Union policies, in particular with the policies in the field of environment.

2. LEGAL BASIS, SUBSIDIARITY AND PROPORTIONALITY

- **Legal basis**

The legal basis of this proposal is Article 43(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

The Union's obligations for sustainable exploitation of living aquatic resources arise from obligations set out in Article 2 of the CFP Regulation.

- **Subsidiarity (for non-exclusive competence)**

The proposal falls under the Union exclusive competence as referred to in Article 3(1)(d) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. The subsidiarity principle therefore does not apply.

- **Proportionality**

The proposal complies with the proportionality principle for the following reason: the Common Fisheries Policy is a common policy. According to Article 43(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, it is incumbent upon the Council to adopt the measures on the fixing and allocation of fishing opportunities.

- **Choice of the instrument**

Proposed instrument: Regulation.

3. RESULTS OF EX-POST EVALUATIONS, STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS AND IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

- **Ex-post evaluations/fitness checks of existing legislation**

Council Regulation (EU) No 2019/1919

The amendment does not change the conditions for fishing laid down in the Agreement and the Implementation Protocol. Therefore, there is no need for an *ex post* evaluation, stakeholder consultation or impact assessment.

Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/91 and Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92

Not applicable.

- **Stakeholder consultations**

The proposal takes into account the feedback from the stakeholders, Advisory Councils, the national administrations, fishermen organisations and non-governmental organisations. During consultations with the United Kingdom on the fishing opportunities, stakeholders (notably representatives of non-governmental organizations and of fishing industry organizations) were informed and consulted, and contacts with national administrations have been maintained through intensive coordination in the course of the consultations with the UK. Advisory Councils were informed periodically of progress in the consultations.

- **Collection and use of expertise**

The proposal is based on the scientific advice of ICES.

- **Impact assessment**

The proposal seeks to avoid short-term approaches in favour of long-term sustainability decisions including existing MAPs for fisheries management in the North Sea and the North-western waters. It also takes into account initiatives from stakeholders and Advisory Councils if they have been positively reviewed by ICES and/or STECF. Furthermore, the Commission's CFP reform proposal was duly developed on the basis of an impact assessment (SEC(2011)891) in the context of which the maximum sustainable yield (MSY) objective was analysed in depth. Its conclusions identify this objective as a necessary condition to achieve environmental, economic and social sustainability.

As regards stocks that are shared with third countries, this proposal essentially implements internationally agreed measures. Any elements relevant to assess possible impacts of the fishing opportunities are dealt with in the preparation and conduct phase of international negotiations in the framework of which the Union's fishing opportunities are agreed with third parties.

- **Regulatory fitness and simplification**

Not applicable.

- **Fundamental rights**

Not applicable.

4. BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

The proposed measures will have no budgetary implications.

5. OTHER ELEMENTS

Council Regulation (EU) No 2019/1919

The proposal does not change the conditions laid down in the Agreement and the Implementation Protocol.

Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/91 and Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92

- Total allowable catches

In line with Article 498 TCA, the TACs and quotas agreed with the UK and documented in the Written Record correspond to the Union shares agreed under the TCA as set out in Annex 35 and Annex 36 TCA. Those TACs and quotas are based on the ICES advice for the year 2021 and, for deep-sea stocks, also for 2022, and are in line with the objectives and principles of the TCA Fisheries heading.

In line with the core conservation objective of the common fisheries policy as set out in Article 2(2) of the CFP Regulation and Article 3(1) of the Western Waters and North Sea MAPs, the Union agreed with the UK TACs for stocks with F_{MSY} advice (advice with levels of fishing opportunities expressing fishing pressure that delivers the maximum sustainable yield – ‘MSY’).

Four TACs for stocks with MSY assessment and zero catch advice TACs are set at levels to cater for unavoidable by-catches and for the avoidance of discarding in mixed fisheries situations with other species. Three of these stocks have agreed TAC levels at by-catch levels (cod Celtic Sea, cod West of Scotland, whiting Irish Sea), and one (herring Celtic Sea) is set as a monitoring/sentinel TAC following ICES indications for the level of such a TAC. For the three demersal stocks in this group, application of additional requirements under the multiannual plans has been ensured through the continued application of remedial (technical measures functionally linked to the fishing opportunities for the target stocks in these mixed fisheries. For three out of these four stocks, the biomass will grow under the agreed TACs. In addition, the outcomes of the consultations have ensured fishing opportunities for some related stocks in the mixed fisheries in the lower range of the F_{MSY} (e.g. in the Celtic Sea) with the aim to reduce overall pressure in the fisheries concerned.

The proposal lists 43 TACs for stocks with precautionary advice. The Union pursued agreement on these TACs, taking into account the corresponding ICES headline advice and the precautionary approach provided for in Article 2(2) of the CFP Regulation. While the majority of these TACs are agreed in line with, or below the ICES advice levels, a number of TACs were agreed at levels that avoid choking situations and cater for the specificities in mixed fisheries, as referred to in Article 4(5) of the MAPs. Moreover, some of the TACs levels were agreed in light of the socio-economic and stability objectives of the CFP.

For a very limited number of shared stocks, tuning of the EU position was needed in order to achieve an overall outcome that was considered necessary and desirable in terms of sustainability and socio-economic considerations, including the need to promote the level playing field.

In implementing the outcomes of the consultations with the UK into the EU legal framework, account should be taken for respect of Articles 2, 3, 28 and 33 CFP and the applicable provisions of the respective MAPs.

TACs that deviate by more than 20% from the previously established TAC level

At the time of the adoption of the Western Waters and North Sea MAPs, the Commission made a statement that, where it proposes setting TACs that deviate by more than 20% from the previously established TAC level, these cases will be listed in the explanatory

memorandum of the Commission proposal, providing, where appropriate, the underlying reasons for the TAC variations. In the context of the shared stocks with the UK, the Commission thereby provides such explanations for the main variations of the TACs included in this proposal.

TAC code	Name	2020 TAC (t)	2021 TAC (t) ¹⁴	Percentage Change (rounded)	Justification
ARU/1/2.	Greater Silver Smelt (1,2)	90	59	-34%	Following scientific advice, in agreement with the UK
ARU/3A4-C	Greater Silver Smelt (North Sea)	1,234	809	-34%	Following scientific advice, in agreement the UK
BLI/03A-	Blue Ling (3a)	5	4	-30%	Following scientific advice, with limitations of interannual fluctuations and agreed with the UK
BLI/12INT-	Blue Ling (International 12)	137	96	-30 %	Following scientific advice, with limitations of interannual fluctuations and agreed with the UK
BSF/56712-	Black Scabbardfish (Western)	2,470	1,929	-22%	Based on scientific advice, reducing interannual fluctuations, and agreed with the UK
HAD/7X7A 34	Haddock (Celtic Sea)	10,859	15,000	+ 38%	Set below the ICES MSY advice as part of Celtic Sea mixed fisheries considerations, and in agreement with the UK
NEP/*07U1 6	Nephrops (Porcupine Bank)	2,637	3,290	+ 24%	Following scientific advice, in agreement with the UK
NOP/2A3A4 .	Norway Pout (North Sea)	72,500	128,300	+77%	Set below F_{MSY} in agreement with the UK. Strong fluctuations with last year justified as this is a short lived species.
PLE/7DE.	Plaice (English Channel)	9,154	11,920	+ 30%	Following scientific advice, in agreement with the UK
POK/56-14	Saithe (West of Scotland)	8,280	6,175	-25%	Following decision taken in EU-UK-NO consultations.
POL/07.	Pollack (7)	12,163	9,426	-23%	Based on scientific advice, with limitations of interannual

¹⁴ As set out in the Written Record before TAC deductions resulting from exemptions under the Landing Obligation.

					fluctuations and agreed with the UK
POL/56-14	Pollack (West of Scotland)	238	184	-23%	Based on scientific advice, with limitations of interannual fluctuations, and agreed with the UK
PRA/2AC4-C	Northern Prawn (North Sea)	1,200	660	-45%	Based on scientific advice, with limitations of interannual fluctuations, and agreed with the UK
RJE/7FG.	Small-eyed Ray (7fg)	192	123	-36%	Following scientific advice, and agreed with the UK
RNG/8X14-	Roundnose Grenadier (8,9,10,12,14)	2,281	1,545	-32%	Based on scientific advice, and agreed with the UK
SAN/2A3A4	Sandeel (North Sea, All Banks)	228,837	92,500	-60%	Set below F_{MSY} advice in agreement with the UK. Strong fluctuations with last year justified as this is a short lived species.
SOL/07A.	Sole (Irish Sea)	457	768	+ 68%	Following scientific advice, and agreed with the UK
SOL/07E.	Sole (Western Channel)	1,478	1,925	+ 30%	Following scientific advice, and agreed with the UK
SOL/24-C.	Sole (North Sea)	17,535	21,361	+ 23%	Following scientific advice, and agreed with the UK
LIN/1/2.	Ling (1,2)	117	43	-63%	Following scientific advice set by the UK

Inter-annual flexibility

The Commission agreed with the UK that the year-to-year flexibility does not apply to the following stocks: Cod, West of Scotland (COD/5BE6A); Whiting, West of Scotland (WHG/56-14); WHG/07A Whiting (Celtic Sea); and Plaice (PLE/7HJK). The Commission agreed with Norway that the year-to-year flexibility does not apply to the following stocks: Northern Prawn, Skagerrak PRA/03A and cod Kattegat COD/03AS.

Discard exemptions

Where there are differences between the Union and the UK on the exemptions to the landing obligation, it was agreed to make use of the exemptions applicable in the other Party's waters in respect of fishing activities carried out in those waters.

Quota exchanges

The Union also sought to facilitate quota exchanges with the UK, in view of the establishment of a quota exchange mechanism by the Specialised Committee on Fisheries envisaged under Article 498(8) TCA, as a contribution to stabilise the fishing activities and to facilitate

exchanges before the formal establishment of such a mechanism. It is appropriate to establish the procedure to carry out such exchanges.

Seabass

In respect of seabass, the following amendments need to be introduced: 1) the commercial trawl/seine flexibility will be reduced from a 520kg cap per two months to a 380kg cap per month within the 5% bass per trip limit; 2) bycatches of seabass in shore-based commercial netting are removed from the scope of the general seabass fishing prohibition. This exemption only applies to historic numbers of locally regulated beach nets set at pre-2017 levels. 3) commercial shore-based netting activities should not target seabass and are only allowed to land unavoidable bycatches.

Outcome of the EU-Faroe Islands consultations

In 2021, the EU and the Faroe Islands held annual consultations on exchanges for certain TACs and access to each Party's waters. The consultations did not result in an agreement between the Union and the Faroe Islands. A reserve for certain TACs had been kept on the Union side to provide for these exchanges. As a result, the relevant fishing opportunities tables and vessels licenses must therefore be amended accordingly.

The 1920 Treaty of Paris

As regards the fishing opportunities around the area of Svalbard, the Treaty of 9 February 1920 relating to Spitsbergen (Svalbard) ('the 1920 Treaty of Paris') grants equal and non-discriminatory access to resources for all Parties to that Treaty, including with respect to fishing. The view of the Union concerning that access has been set out on numerous occasions, the most recently in the note verbale to Norway No 02/21 dated 26 February 2021. In order to ensure that the exploitation of resources within the area of Svalbard is consistent with such non-discriminatory management rules as may be set out by Norway, which enjoys sovereignty and jurisdiction in the area within the limits of that Treaty, the Council fixed, for ICES subarea 1 and division 2b, the number of vessels that are authorised to conduct fishery for snow crab and quotas for cod. The allocation of such fishing opportunities among Member States is limited to 2021. In the note verbale to Norway No 02/21 dated 26 February 2021, the Union reserved its rights to take all appropriate remedial countermeasures to safeguard legitimate interests of the European Union and its Member States under the 1920 Treaty of Paris. It is also appropriate to recall that in the Union primary responsibility for ensuring compliance with applicable law lies with the flag Member States.

Anchovy in subareas 9 and 10

Anchovy (*Engraulis encrasicolus*) in ICES subareas 9 and 10 and in Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 is a short-lived species, for which surveys are concluded in May. The TAC period is set from 1 July to 30 June of the following year. This ensures that the fishing opportunities are based on the best possible assessment of the annual recruitment of this short-lived species.

Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92, as initially adopted, set at zero the TAC for anchovy in ICES subareas 9 and 10 and in Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 applicable from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, awaiting the new scientific advice. In the third amendment to the 2021 fishing opportunities, a provisional TAC was established until 30 September 2021 to allow the

fishery to continue. The scientific advice was made available on 18 June 2021. The TAC for the period starting on 1 July 2021 should therefore be amended in line with the latest scientific advice from ICES.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919¹⁵ allocates the fishing opportunities under the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania¹⁶. The Protocol was extended, until 15 November 2020, by the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on an extension, for a maximum period of one year, to the Protocol¹⁷, signed by Council Decision (EU) 2019/1918¹⁸ which authorised its provisional application.
- (2) On 23 October 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/1704¹⁹ on a second extension, for a maximum of one year, to the Protocol.

¹⁵ Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 of 8 November 2019 on the allocation of the fishing opportunities under the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania (OJ L 297 I of 18.11.2019, p.5).

¹⁶ Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania for a period of four years (OJ L 315, 1.12.2015, p. 3).

¹⁷ Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on an extension to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, expiring on 15 November 2019 (OJ L 297I , 18.11.2019, p. 3).

¹⁸ Council Decision (EU) 2019/1918 of 8 November 2019 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on an extension to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, expiring on 15 November 2019 (OJ L 297 I, 18.11.2019, p. 1).

¹⁹ Council Decision (EU) 2020/1704 of 23 October 2020 on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania on an extension to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, expiring on 15 November 2020 (OJ L 383, 16.11.2020, p. 1).

- (3) Article 1 of Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 allocates fishing opportunities to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in category 6 — Pelagic freezer trawlers.
- (4) Pursuant to the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, the United Kingdom is not a Member State of the Union anymore since 1 February 2020 and the transition period provided for in that Agreement has ended on 31 December 2020. Therefore, the fishing opportunities allocated to the United Kingdom should be reallocated to the Member States as from 1 January 2021 and the UK should no longer hold a quarterly licence from 1 January 2021.
- (5) This reallocation should be transparent and proportional to the original quota allocation.
- (6) Council Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) Council Regulation (EU) 2021/91²⁰ establishes, for the years 2021 and 2022, the fishing opportunities for Union fishing vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks. Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92²¹ establishes for 2021 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters. For stocks shared with the United Kingdom (UK), those Regulations set provisional total allowable catches (TACs) applicable until 31 July 2021 for vessels fishing in Union waters, international waters and waters of third countries.
- (8) In accordance with Article 498(2), (4) and (6) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and the UK (TCA)²², the Union has held bilateral consultations with the United Kingdom and established the level of fishing opportunities for the stocks listed in Annex 35, and tables A and B of Annex 36 of the TCA and associated conditions for the year 2021, and for years 2021 and 2022 for certain deep-sea TACs. These consultations were conducted between 20 January 2021 and 2 June 2021, on the basis of the Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the Union, of 5 March 2021²³. The outcome of the consultations was documented in a Written Record, signed by the Head of Delegations of both the EU and the UK and endorsed by the Council on 11 June 2021. It is therefore necessary to replace the provisional TACs that were established in Council Regulations (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 by the fishing opportunities agreed with the UK, together with the new associated measures.
- (9) The conclusion of these consultations introduces agreed and ensured fishing opportunities for the EU and the UK for 2021 (and for some deep-sea stocks for 2022), under the equal access provisions to each other's waters under the TCA. In absence

²⁰ Council Regulation (EU) 2021/91 of 28 January 2021 fixing, for the years 2021 and 2022, the fishing opportunities for Union fishing vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks (OJ L 31, 29.1.2021, p. 20–30).

²¹ Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92 of 28 January 2021 fixing for 2021 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters (OJ L 31 of 29.1.2021, p. 31).

²² Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part, OJ L 149, 30.4.2021, p. 10.

²³ Council Decision establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the Union in the consultations with the United Kingdom to agree on fishing opportunities for shared stocks for 2021 and, for certain deep-sea stocks, for 2021 and 2022 of 5 March 2021, NO 6414/21

such agreement on fishing opportunities, TACs would be set unilaterally by the EU and the UK, putting at risk the sustainable management of these shared stocks. It would also jeopardize the level playing field for Union operators.

- (10) It is now necessary to implement the outcomes of the EU-UK consultations into the EU legal order by amending the provisional TACs that were established in Council Regulations (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 by the fishing opportunities respecting the TAC levels agreed with the UK.
- (11) Under the TCA, the EU and the UK share the objective of exploiting shared stocks at rates intended to maintain and progressively restore populations of harvested species above biomass levels that can produce the maximum sustainable yield (MSY). In accordance with the CFP Regulation²⁴ and the Western Waters²⁵ and North Sea²⁶ multiannual plans (MAPs), the target fishing mortality in line with the ranges of MSY (F_{MSY}) defined in Article 2 of the CFP Regulation, was to be achieved as soon as possible, and on a progressive and incremental basis by 2020 for the stocks listed in Article 1(1) of that regulation and is to be maintained thereafter within the ranges of F_{MSY} , in accordance with Article 4 of that regulation.
- (12) There are certain stocks for which ICES, while assessing them against MSY, has issued scientific advice for no catches. If TACs for those stocks are established at the level indicated in such scientific advice, the obligation to land all catches both in the EU and UK waters, including by-catches from those stocks, in mixed fisheries, would lead to the phenomenon of ‘choke species’. In order to balance the need for continuation of these mixed fisheries in view of the potentially severe socio-economic implications on complete interruption of that fishery, and the need to achieve a good biological status for those stocks, and taking into account the difficulty of fishing all stocks in a mixed fishery at MSY at the same time, the EU and the UK agreed that it is appropriate to establish specific TACs for by-catches for those stocks. The level of those TACs should be such that mortality for those stocks is decreased and that it provides incentives for improvements in selectivity and avoidance. The levels of the fishing opportunities for these stocks should be established in line with the Written Record in order both to ensure a level playing field for Union operators and to provide for the significant recovery of the biomass of these stocks at the same time.
- (13) While the EU and the UK did not reach agreement on aligned functionally linked technical measures, both agreed that such measures are necessary, and the UK will adopt such measures in order to contribute to the recovery of the stocks concerned. In the current absence of agreement, it is necessary to continue with the application of existing functionally linked technical measures established in Articles 15 to 17 of

²⁴ Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC, OJ L 354 of 28.12.2013, p. 22.

²⁵ Regulation (EU) 2019/472 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2019 establishing a multiannual plan for stocks fished in the Western Waters and adjacent waters, and for fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulations (EU) 2016/1139 and (EU) 2018/973, and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007 and (EC) No 1300/2008, OJ L 83 of 25.3.2019, p. 1.

²⁶ Regulation (EU) 2018/973 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 establishing a multiannual plan for demersal stocks in the North Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks, specifying details of the implementation of the landing obligation in the North Sea and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 676/2007 and (EC) No 1342/2008, OJ L 179 of 16.7.2018, p. 1.

Council Regulation 2021/92 that allow setting the TACs of target species at levels proposed in this Regulation without jeopardising the state of the unavoidable bycatch stocks in Union waters.

- (14) Given that the biomass of the stocks of COD/5BE6A, WHG/56-14, WHG/07A and PLE/7HJK is below Blim and that only by-catch and scientific fisheries are permitted, the EU and the UK agreed in the Written Record that it is necessary not to apply Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 in respect of these stocks for transfers from 2020 to 2021 so that catches in 2021 will not exceed the TAC established for those stocks.
- (15) Given that the biomass of the stocks of COD/03AS, PRA/03A is below Blim, the EU and Norway agreed that it is necessary not to apply Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 in respect of these stocks for transfers from 2020 to 2021 so that catches in 2021 will not exceed the TAC established for those stocks.
- (16) European seabass in the Celtic Sea, Channel, Irish Sea and southern North Sea (ICES divisions 4b, 4c, 7a, and 7d to 7h) continues below MSY Btrigger and is just above Blim. While fishing mortality has decreased, ICES indications on the fishing pressure continue to be of concern. The importance of agreed measures to ensure aligned conditions and opportunities for the UK and for the EU fleets is key for sea bass as a shared stock, notably on a monthly cap for commercial trawl/sein fisheries, and on by-catches in shore-based commercial netting, keeping the existing limitation on recreational fishing in place. The EU and the UK also agreed to prioritise the improvement of the ICES assessment tool for seabass to allow for forecast calculations on the basis of MSY models.
- (17) In pursuit of protection from fishing of the species concerned, the UK and the EU agreed in the Written Record on lists of prohibited species. Fishing for, retaining on board, transshipping, or landing of such prohibited species shall be prohibited.
- (18) Pursuant to Article 498 of the TCA, the EU and the UK agreed to set up a mechanism for voluntary in-year transfers of fishing opportunities to take place each year and that the details for such a mechanism should be defined by the Specialised Committee on Fisheries. In order to allow Member States to transfer or exchange fishing opportunities with the UK pending the adoption by the Specialised Committee on Fisheries of these details, it is appropriate to establish the procedure to carry out such exchanges..
- (19) In 2021, the Union and the Faroe Islands held annual consultations on exchanges for certain TACs and access to each Party's waters. The consultations did not result in an agreement between the Union and the Faroe Islands. A reserve for certain TACs had been kept on the Union side to provide for these exchanges. As a result, the relevant fishing opportunities tables and vessels licenses should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (20) Council Regulation (EU) 2021/92, as initially adopted, set at zero the TAC for anchovy in ICES subareas 9 and 10 and in Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 applicable from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, awaiting the new scientific advice. In the third amendment to the 2021 fishing opportunities, a provisional TAC was established until 30 September 2021 to allow the fishery to continue. The scientific advice was issued on 18 June 2021. The TAC for the period starting on 1 July 2021 should therefore be amended in line with the latest scientific advice from ICES.

- (21) Regulations (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (22) As regards the fishing opportunities around the area of Svalbard, the Treaty of 9 February 1920 relating to Spitsbergen (Svalbard) ('the 1920 Treaty of Paris') grants equal and non-discriminatory access to resources for all Parties to that Treaty, including with respect to fishing. The view of the Union concerning that access has been set out on numerous occasions, the most recently in the note verbale to Norway No 02/21 dated 26 February 2021. In order to ensure that the exploitation of resources within the area of Svalbard is consistent with such non-discriminatory management rules as may be set out by Norway, which enjoys sovereignty and jurisdiction in the area within the limits of that Treaty, the Council fixed, for ICES subarea 1 and division 2b, the number of vessels that are authorised to conduct fishery for snow crab and quotas for cod. The allocation of such fishing opportunities among Member States is limited to 2021. In the note verbale to Norway No 02/21 dated 26 February 2021, the Union reserved its rights to take all appropriate remedial countermeasures to safeguard legitimate interests of the European Union and its Member States under the 1920 Treaty of Paris. It is also appropriate to recall that in the Union primary responsibility for ensuring compliance with applicable law lies with the flag Member States.
- (23) The catch limits provided for in Regulations (EU) 2019/1919 and (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 apply from 1 January 2021. The provisions introduced by this Regulation concerning catch limits should therefore also apply from that date. Such retroactive application does not affect the principles of legal certainty and protection of legitimate expectations, as the fishing opportunities concerned are increased or have not yet been exhausted. For reasons of urgency, this Regulation should enter into force immediately after its publication,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Article 1(f) of the Regulation (EU) 2019/1919 is replaced by the following:

“(f) category 6 — Pelagic freezer trawlers:

Germany	13 038, 4 tonnes
France	2 714, 6 tonnes
Latvia	55 966, 6 tonnes
Lithuania	59 837, 6 tonnes
Netherlands	64 976, 1 tonnes
Poland	27 106, 6 tonnes
Ireland	8 860, 1 tonnes

During the period of application of the extension of the Protocol, the following number of quarterly licences shall be held by Member States:

Germany	4
France	2
Latvia	20

Lithuania	22
Netherlands	16
Poland	8
Ireland	2

Member States shall inform the Commission if certain licences may be placed at the disposal of other Member States.

Within this category, a maximum of 19 vessels may be deployed in Mauritanian waters at any one time;”.

Article 2

Amendment of Regulation (EU) 2021/91

Regulation (EU) 2021/91 is amended as follows:

- (1) Article 8 is deleted;
- (2) Part 2 of the Annex is amended in accordance with Part A of the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 3

Amendment of Regulation (EU) 2021/92

Regulation (EU) 2021/92 is amended as follows:

- (1) Article 7 is deleted;
- (2) Article 11 is amended as follows:
 - (a) the following paragraph 1a is inserted:

‘1a. The prohibition set out in paragraph 1 shall not apply to bycatches of seabass in shore-based commercial netting activities. This exemption applies to historic numbers of beach nets set at pre-2017 levels. Shore-based commercial netting activities shall not target seabass and only unavoidable bycatches of seabass may be landed.’
 - (b) Paragraph 2 is amended as follows:
 - (i) Point (a) is replaced by the following:

‘(a) using demersal trawls (*), for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 380 kilogrammes per month and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by that vessel per fishing trip.’

(*) All types of demersal trawls (OTB, OTT, PTB, TBB, TBN, TBS and TB).

(ii) Point (b) is replaced by the following:

‘(b) using seines (*), for unavoidable by-catches not exceeding 380 kilogrammes per month and 5 % of the weight of the total catches of marine organisms on board caught by that vessel per fishing trip.’

(*) All types of seines (SSC, SDN, SPR, SV, SB and SX).’

(3) the following paragraph 1a is inserted after paragraph 1 of Article 13:

‘1a. By way of derogation from paragraph 1(d), Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 and Article 15(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 shall not apply to the following stocks: Cod, Kattegat (COD/03AS); Cod, West of Scotland (COD/5BE6A); Whiting, West of Scotland (WHG/56-14); Whiting, Celtic Sea (WHG/07A); Northern Prawn, Skagerrak (PRA/03A); and Plaice, Celtic Sea (PLE/7HJK).’

(4) the following Article is inserted after Article 53:

Article 53a

Quota transfers and exchanges with the United Kingdom

1. Any quota transfer or exchange between the European Union and the United Kingdom shall take place in accordance with paragraphs 2 to 4.
 2. A Member State intending to transfer or exchange quotas with the United Kingdom may discuss with the United Kingdom an outline of the quota transfer or exchange.
 3. Where the Commission endorses an outline of quota transfer or exchange referred to in paragraph 2 notified by the Member State concerned, the Commission shall express, without undue delay, the consent to be bound by such quota transfer or exchange. The Commission shall notify the United Kingdom and the Member States of the agreed quota transfer or exchange.
 4. The quota received from or transferred to the United Kingdom under the agreed quota transfer or exchange shall be deemed to be quotas allocated to, or deducted from, the allocation of the Member State concerned, as of the moment that the quota transfer or exchange takes effect in accordance with paragraph 3. Such exchanges shall not change the existing distribution key for the purposes of allocating fishing opportunities among Member States in accordance with the principle of relative stability of fishing activities.
- (5) Annex IA is amended in accordance with Part B of the Annex to this Regulation.
- (6) Annex IB is amended in accordance with Part C of the Annex to this Regulation.
- (7) Annex V is amended in accordance with part D of the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 4

Entry into force and application

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2021.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Council
The President*



Brussels, 30.6.2021
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ANNEX

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to the Proposal for a

Council Regulation

**amending Regulations (EU) 2019/1919, (EU) 2021/91 and (EU) 2021/92 as regards
certain fishing opportunities for 2021 in Union and non-Union waters**

ANNEX

Part A: Amendments to Part 2 of the Annex to Regulation (EU) 2021/91

In Part 2 of the Annex to Regulation (EU) 2021/91, the relevant fishing opportunities tables are replaced by the following:

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Species:	Black scabbardfish <i>Aphanopus carbo</i>	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5; international waters of 12 (BSF/56712-)
Year	2021	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	22		
Estonia	11		
Ireland	55		
Spain	110		
France	1 541		
Latvia	72		
Lithuania	1		
Poland	1		
Others	6 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	1 819		
United Kingdom	110		
TAC	1 929		
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BSF/56712_AMS).		

Species:	Alfonsinos <i>Beryx spp.</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 (ALF/3X14-)
Year	2021	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Spain	51 ⁽¹⁾		
France	14 ⁽¹⁾		
Portugal	145 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	217 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	7 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	224 ⁽¹⁾		
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.		

Species:	Roundnose grenadier <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (RNG/5B67-)
Year	2021	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Estonia	34 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Ireland	150 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		

Spain	37	(1)(2)
France	1 910	(1)(2)
Lithuania	44	(1)(2)
Poland	22	(1)(2)
Others	4	(1)(2)(3)
Union	2 205	(1)(2)
United Kingdom	112	(1)(2)
TAC	2 317	(1)(2)

(1) A maximum of 10 % of each quota may be fished in Union and international waters of 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 (RNG/*8X14- for roundnose grenadier; RHG/*8X14- for roughhead grenadier by-catches).

(2) No directed fisheries of roughhead grenadier are permitted. By-catches of roughhead grenadier (RHG/5B67-) shall be counted against this quota. They may not exceed 1% of the quota.

(3) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (RNG/5B67_AMS for roundnose grenadier; RHG/5B67_AMS for roughhead grenadier).

Species:	Roundnose grenadier <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>	Zone:	8, 9 and 10; international waters of 12 and 14 (RNG/8X14-)
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Year	2021	Precautionary TAC	-
Germany	10	(1)(2)(3)	
Ireland	2	(1)(2)(3)	
Spain	1 111	(1)(2)(3)	
France	51	(1)(2)(3)	
Latvia	18	(1)(2)(3)	
Lithuania	2	(1)(2)(3)	
Poland	347	(1)(2)(3)	
Union	1 541	(1)(2)	
United Kingdom	4	(1)(2)	
TAC	1 545	(1)(2)	

(1) A maximum of 10 % of each quota may be fished in Union and international waters of 5b, 6, 7 (RNG/*5B67- for roundnose grenadier; RHG/*5B67- for roughhead grenadier by-catches).

(2) No directed fisheries of roughhead grenadier are permitted.

(3) By-catches of roughhead grenadier (RHG/8X14-) shall be counted against this quota. They may not exceed 1% of the quota.

Species:	Red seabream <i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>	Zone:	6, 7 and 8 (SBR/678-)
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Year	2021	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	3	(1)
Spain	84	(1)
France	4	(1)
Others	3	(1)(2)
Union	95	(1)
United Kingdom	11	(1)
TAC	105	(1)

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

(2) Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (SBR/678_AMS).

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Part B: Amendments to Annex IA to Regulation (EU) 2021/92

In Annex IA to Regulation (EU) 2021/92, the relevant fishing opportunities tables are replaced by the following:

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Species:	Sandeel and associated by-catches <i>Ammodytes spp.</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; European Union waters of 3a ⁽¹⁾
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Denmark	86 651 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	132 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Sweden	3 182 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	89 965 ⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	2 535 ⁽²⁾	

TAC 92 500 ⁽²⁾

- (1) Excluding waters within six nautical miles of the UK baselines at Shetland, Fair Isle and Foula.
- (2) In management areas 1r and 2r the TAC may only be fished as monitoring TAC with an associated sampling protocol for the fishery.
- (3) 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 the abovementioned 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 (SAN/234_1R)	2r (SAN/234_2R)	3r (SAN/234_3R)	4 (SAN/234_4)	5r (SAN/234_5R)	6 (SAN/234_6)	7r (SAN/234_7R)
Denmark	5 118	4 684	12 091	64 627	0	131	0
Germany	8	7	18	99	0	0	0
Sweden	188	172	444	2 373	0	5	0
Union	5 314	4 863	12 553	67 099	0	136	0
United Kingdom	150	137	354	1 890	0	4	0
Total	5 464	5 000	12 907	68 989	0	140	0

Species:	Greater silver smelt <i>Argentina silus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 1 and 2 (ARU/1/2.)
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Germany	16	Precautionary TAC
France	5	
The Netherlands	13	
Union	34	

United Kingdom 25

TAC 59

Species: Greater silver smelt	Zone: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; European Union waters of 3a
<i>Argentina silus</i>	(ARU/3A4-C)

Denmark	717	Precautionary TAC
Germany	7	
France	5	
Ireland	5	
The Netherlands	34	
Sweden	28	
Union	796	
United Kingdom	13	

TAC 809

Species: Greater silver smelt	Zone: 6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5
<i>Argentina silus</i>	(ARU/567.)

Germany	283	Precautionary TAC
France	6	
Ireland	262	
The Netherlands	2 958	
Union	3 509	
United Kingdom	220	

TAC 3 729

Species: Tusk	Zone: United Kingdom and international waters of 1, 2 and 14
<i>Brosme brosme</i>	(USK/1214EI)

Germany	6 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
France	6 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Others	3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Union	16 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	6 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 22

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

(2) Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/1214EI_AMS).

Species:	Tusk	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4
	<i>Brosme brosme</i>		(USK/04-C.)
Denmark	68	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	20 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	47 ⁽¹⁾		
Sweden	7		
Others	7 ⁽²⁾		
Union	149		
United Kingdom	102 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	251		
(1)	Special condition: of which up to 25% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'.		
(2)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/04-C_AMS).		

Species:	Tusk	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5
	<i>Brosme brosme</i>		(USK/567EI.)
Germany	60 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	208		
France	2 471 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	238		
Others	60 ⁽²⁾		
Union	3 037		
Norway	0		
United Kingdom	1 257 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	4 294		
(1)	Special condition: of which up to 10% may be fished in United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4 (USK/*04-C.).		
(2)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (USK/567EI_AMS).		

Species:	Boarfish	Zone:	6, 7 and 8
	<i>Caproidae</i>		(BOR/678-)
Denmark	4 700	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	13 234		

Union	17 934
United Kingdom	1 218
TAC	19 152

Species:	Herring (1) <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	3a (HER/03A.)
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Denmark	9 080 ⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	145 ⁽²⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Sweden	9 498 ⁽²⁾	
Union	18 723 ⁽²⁾	
Norway	2 881	
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽³⁾	

TAC 21 604

- (1) Catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.
- (2) Special condition: up to 50 % of this amount may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 4 (HER/*04-C.).
- (3) May only be fished in the Skagerrak (HER/*03AN.).

Species:	Herring (1) <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom, European Union and Norwegian waters of 4 north of 53°30' N (HER/4AB.)
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Denmark	52 831	Analytical TAC
Germany	35 994	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
France	19 821	
The Netherlands	49 145	
Sweden	3 626	
Union	213 814	
Faroe Islands	0	
Norway	103 344 ⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	52 397	
TAC	356 357	

- (1) Catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.
- (2) Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC. Within the limit of this quota, no more than the quantity given below may be taken in Union waters of 4a and 4b (HER/*4AB-C).

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Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken by the Union in Norwegian waters south of 62°N.

Norwegian
waters south
of 62°N
(HER/*4N-
S62)

Union	3 000
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Species:	Herring (1) <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	3a (HER/03A-BC)
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Denmark	5 692 ⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	51 ⁽²⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Sweden	916 ⁽²⁾	
Union	6 659 ⁽²⁾	

TAC 6 659 ⁽²⁾

(1) Exclusively for catches of herring taken as by-catch in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

(2) Special condition: up to 50% of this quota may be fished in Union waters of 4 (HER/*04-C-BC).

Species:	Herring (1) <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	4, 7d and United Kingdom waters of 2a (HER/2A47DX)
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Belgium	38	Analytical TAC
Denmark	7 421	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	38	
France	38	
The Netherlands	38	
Sweden	36	
Union	7 609	
United Kingdom	141	

TAC 7 750

(1) Exclusively for catches of herring taken as by-catch in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes smaller than 32 mm.

Species:	Herring (1) <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	4c, 7d(2) (HER/4CXB7D)
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Belgium	8 427 ⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC
Denmark	689 ⁽³⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	470 ⁽³⁾	
France	9 427 ⁽³⁾	

The Netherlands	16 579 ⁽³⁾
Union	39 199 ⁽³⁾
United Kingdom	3 607 ⁽³⁾

TAC 356 357

- (1) Exclusively for catches of herring taken in fisheries using nets with mesh sizes equal to or larger than 32 mm.
- (2) Except Blackwater stock: reference is to the herring stock in the maritime region of the Thames estuary within a zone delimited by a rhumb line running due south from Landguard Point (51° 56' N, 1° 19,1' E) to latitude 51° 33' N and hence due west to a point on the coast of the United Kingdom.
- (3) Special condition: up to 50 % of this quota may be taken in 4b (HER/*04B.).

Species: Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone: Union and international waters of 5b, 6b and 6aN(1) (HER/5B6ANB)
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Germany	353 ⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC
France	67 ⁽²⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Ireland	478 ⁽²⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
The Netherlands	353 ⁽²⁾	
Union	1 251 ⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	2 229 ⁽²⁾	

TAC 3 480

- (1) Reference is to the herring stock in the part of ICES zone 6a which lies east of the meridian of longitude 7°W and north of the parallel of latitude 55°N, or west of the meridian of longitude 7°W and north of the parallel of latitude 56°N, excluding the Clyde.
- (2) It shall be prohibited to target any herring in the part of the ICES zones subject to this TAC that lies between 56°N and 57°30' N, with the exception of a six nautical mile belt measured from the baseline of the United Kingdom's territorial sea.

Species: Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone: 6aS(1), 7b, 7c (HER/6AS7BC)
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Ireland	1 236	Precautionary TAC
The Netherlands	124	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	1 360	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply

TAC 1 360

- (1) Reference is to the herring stock in 6a south of 56°00' N and west of 07°00' W.

Species: Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone: 7a(1) (HER/07A/MM)
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Ireland	808	Analytical TAC
Union	808	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
United Kingdom	6 533	

TAC 7 341

- (1) This zone is reduced by the area bounded:

- to the north by latitude 52°30' N,
- to the south by latitude 52°00' N,
- to the west by the coast of Ireland,
- to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	7e and 7f (HER/7EF.)
France	465	Precautionary TAC	
Union	465		
United Kingdom	465		
TAC	930		

Species:	Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone:	7a south of 52°30'N ; 7g ⁽¹⁾ , 7h ⁽¹⁾ , 7j ⁽¹⁾ and 7k ⁽¹⁾ (HER/7G-K.)
Germany	10 ⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	54 ⁽²⁾		
Ireland	750 ⁽²⁾		
The Netherlands	54 ⁽²⁾		
Union	868 ⁽²⁾		
United Kingdom	1 ⁽²⁾		
TAC	869 ⁽²⁾		

(1) This zone is increased by the area bounded:

- to the north by latitude 52°30' N,
- to the south by latitude 52°00' N,
- to the west by the coast of Ireland,
- to the east by the coast of the United Kingdom.

(2) This quota may only be allocated to vessels participating in the sentinel fishery to allow fisheries-based data collection for this stock as assessed by ICES. The Member States concerned shall communicate the name(s) of the vessel(s) to the Commission before allowing any catches.

Species:	Anchovy <i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	Zone:	9 and 10; Union waters of CEECAF 34.1.1 (ANE/9/3411)
Spain	7 176 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Portugal	7 829 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	15 005 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	15 005 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) The quota may only be fished from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.

Species:	Cod	Zone:	6b; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b west of 12°00' W and of 12 and 14
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		(COD/5W6-14)
Belgium	0 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	1 ⁽¹⁾		
France	8 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	16 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	25 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	49 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	74 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this TAC.

Species:	Cod	Zone:	6a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b east of 12°00' W
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		(COD/5BE6A)
Belgium	2 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	12 ⁽¹⁾		
France	130 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	243 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	387 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	892 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	1 279 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) Exclusively for by-catches of cod in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this quota.

Species:	Cod	Zone:	7a
	<i>Gadus morhua</i>		(COD/07A.)
Belgium	3 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	7 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	104 ⁽¹⁾		
The Netherlands	1 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	115 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	91 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	206 ⁽¹⁾		

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	7b, 7c, 7e-k, 8, 9 and 10; European Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (COD/7XAD34)
Belgium	18 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	290 ⁽¹⁾	Article 9 of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	422 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
The Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	730 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	75 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	805 ⁽¹⁾		
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches of cod in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for cod are permitted under this quota.		

Species:	Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone:	7d (COD/07D.)
Belgium	33 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
France	649 ⁽¹⁾		
The Netherlands	19 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	701 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	71 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	772		
(1)	Special condition: of which up to 5% may be fished in United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4, that part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and Kattegat and United Kingdom waters of 2a (COD/*2A3X4).		

Species:	Megrims <i>Lepidorhombus spp.</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (LEZ/2AC4-C)
Belgium	8	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	7	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	7		
France	42 ⁽¹⁾		
The Netherlands	33		
Union	97		
United Kingdom	2 490 ⁽¹⁾		

TAC 2 587

(1) Special condition: of which up to 20% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'.

Species:	Megrimms	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14
	<u>Lepidorhombus spp.</u>		<u>(LEZ/56-14)</u>
Spain	526	Analytical TAC	
France	2 053 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	600		
Union	3 179		
United Kingdom	2 046 ⁽¹⁾		

TAC 5 225

(1) Special condition: of which up to 25 % may be fished in: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 2a and 4 (LEZ/*2AC4C).

Species:	Megrimms	Zone:	7
	<u>Lepidorhombus spp.</u>		<u>(LEZ/07.)</u>
Belgium	464 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	5 154 ⁽²⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	6 256 ⁽²⁾		
Ireland	2 844 ⁽²⁾		
Union	14 718		
United Kingdom	3 421 ⁽²⁾		

TAC 18 365

(1) 10 % of this quota may be used in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (LEZ/*8ABDE) for by-catches in directed fisheries for sole.

(2) 35 % of this quota may be fished in 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (LEZ/*8ABDE).

Species:	Megrimms	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e
	<u>Lepidorhombus spp.</u>		<u>(LEZ/8ABDE.)</u>
Spain	1 005	Analytical TAC	
France	811	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	1 816		
TAC	1 816		

Species:	Anglerfish	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a
	<u>Lophiidae</u>		<u>(ANF/2AC4-C)</u>

Belgium	312	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	688	⁽²⁾	
Germany	336	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
France	64	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
The Netherlands	236	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Sweden	8	⁽²⁾	
Union	1 644	⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	10 328	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	

TAC 11 972

(1) Special condition: of which up to 30% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'".

(2) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom waters of 6a south of 58°30'; Union and international waters of 5b; International waters of 12 and 14 (ANF/*56-14).

Species:	Anglerfish	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14
	<i>Lophiidae</i>		(ANF/56-14)

Belgium	202	⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Germany	230	⁽¹⁾	
Spain	216		
France	2 485	⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	562		
The Netherlands	194	⁽¹⁾	
Union	3 889		
United Kingdom	2 488	⁽¹⁾	

TAC 6 377

(1) Special condition: of which up to 20 % may be fished in: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 2a and 4 (ANF/*2AC4C).

Species:	Anglerfish	Zone:	7
	<i>Lophiidae</i>		(ANF/07.)

Belgium	3 384	⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	377	⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Spain	1 345	⁽¹⁾	
France	21 714	⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	2 775	⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	438	⁽¹⁾	
Union	30 033	⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	8 090	⁽¹⁾	

TAC 38 123

(1) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union waters of 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (ANF/*8ABDE).

Species:	Anglerfish <i>Lophiidae</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (ANF/8ABDE.)
Spain	1 556	Analytical TAC	
France	8 659	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	10 215		
TAC	10 215		

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	3a (HAD/03A.)
Belgium	12	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	2 120	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	135		
The Netherlands	2		
Sweden	250		
Union	2 519		
TAC	2 630		

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (HAD/2AC4.)
Belgium	287 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	1 970	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	1 254 ⁽¹⁾		
France	2 185 ⁽¹⁾		
The Netherlands	215		
Sweden	169		
Union	6 080		
Norway	9 841		
United Kingdom	26 872 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	42 793		

(1) Special condition: of which up to 10% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

Norwegian waters of 4 (HAD/*04N-)	
Union	4 523

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6b; international waters 12 and 14 (HAD/6B1214)
Belgium	16	Analytical TAC	
Germany	19	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	799		
Ireland	570		
Union	1 404		
United Kingdom	6 971		
TAC	8 375		

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	6a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b (HAD/5BC6A.)
Belgium	6 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	6 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	264 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	648		
Union	924		
United Kingdom	3 843 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	4 767		
(1)	Special condition: of which up to 25% may be fished in United Kingdom and European Union waters of 2a and 4 (HAD/*2AC4).		

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	7b-k, 8, 9 and 10; European Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (HAD/7X7A34)
Belgium	148	Analytical TAC	
France	8 876	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	2 959		
Union	11 983		
United Kingdom	2 400		
TAC	15 000		

Species:	Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	7a (HAD/07A.)
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Belgium	49	Analytical TAC
France	221	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Ireland	1 322	
Union	1 592	
United Kingdom	1 779	
TAC	3 371	

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	3a (WHG/03A.)
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Denmark	649	Precautionary TAC
The Netherlands	2	
Sweden	69	
Union	720	
TAC	929	

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	4; Union waters of 2a (WHG/2AC4.)
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Belgium	283	Analytical TAC
Denmark	1 225	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	319	
France	1 841	
The Netherlands	708	
Sweden	2	
Union	4 376	
Norway	2 131 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	11 962	
TAC	21 306	

(1) May be taken in Union waters. Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

Norwegian waters of 4 (WHG/*04N-)

Union	4 518
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Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and International waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (WHG/56-14)
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Germany	3 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
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France	50 ⁽¹⁾	Article 9 of this Regulation applies
Ireland	299 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	352 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
United Kingdom	585 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 937 ⁽¹⁾

(1) Exclusively for by-catches of whiting in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for whiting are permitted under this quota.

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	7a (WHG/07A.)
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Belgium	2 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
France	22 ⁽¹⁾	Article 9 of this Regulation applies
Ireland	280 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
The Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	305 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	416 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 721 ⁽¹⁾

(1) Exclusively for by-catches of whiting in fisheries for other species. No directed fisheries for whiting are permitted under this quota.

Species:	Whiting <i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	Zone:	7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k (WHG/7X7A-C)
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Belgium	95	Analytical TAC
France	5 842	
Ireland	2 707	
The Netherlands	47	
Union	8 692	
United Kingdom	1 134	

TAC 10 259

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	3a (HKE/03A.)
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Denmark	2 741 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
Sweden	233 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Union	2 974	

TAC 2 974

(1) Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission and to the UK.

Species:	Hake	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (HKE/2AC4-C)
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>			
Belgium	36 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	1 473 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	169 ⁽¹⁾		
France	326 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
The Netherlands	85 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	2 089 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 354 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
TAC	3 443		
(1)	Not more than 10 % of this quota may be used for by-catch in 3a (HKE/*03A.).		
(2)	Special condition: of which up to 6% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'.		

Species:	Hake	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (HKE/571214)
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>			
Belgium	498 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC	
Spain	15 974	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
France	24 669 ⁽¹⁾		
Ireland	2 989		
The Netherlands	321 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	44 451		
United Kingdom	10 884 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	55 335		
(1)	Special condition: 100% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified retrospectively annually to the other Party. Member States shall notify in advance to the Commission.		

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

8a, 8b, 8d and
8e
(HKE/*8ABD
E)

Belgium	66
Spain	2 632
France	2 632
Ireland	329
The Netherlands	33
Union	5 691

United Kingdom 1 480

Species:	Hake <i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	Zone:	8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (HKE/8ABDE.)
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Belgium	16 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
Spain	11 356	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
France	25 501	
The Netherlands	33 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	36 906	
TAC	36 906	

(1) Transfers of this quota may be effected to United Kingdom and Union waters of 2a and 4. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission and to the UK.

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

6 and 7; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (HKE/*57-14)

Belgium	3
Spain	3 289
France	5 921
The Netherlands	10
Union	9 223

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/1X14)
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Denmark	45 680 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	17 761 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Spain	38 726 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
France	31 789 ⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	35 373 ⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	55 700 ⁽¹⁾	
Portugal	3 598 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Sweden	11 300 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	239 927 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	
Norway	37 500	
Faroe Islands	0	
United Kingdom	71 670 ⁽¹⁾	
TAC	Not relevant	

- (1) Special condition: within a total access limit of 37 500 tonnes for the Union, Member States may fish up to the following percentage of their quotas in Faroese waters (WHB/*05-F.): 0%
- (2) Transfers of this quota may be effected to 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.
- (3) Special condition: from the EU quotas in Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/*NZJM1) and in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/*NZJM2), the following quantity may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen:

141 648

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 2, 4a, 5, 6 north of 56° 30' N and 7 west of 12° W (WHB/24A567)
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Norway	141 648 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Analytical TAC
Faroe Islands	0	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
TAC	Not relevant	

(1) To be counted against quota established by Norway.

(2) To be fished in Union waters of ICES 4, 6 and 7.

Species:	Lemon sole and witch flounder <i>Microstomus kitt</i> and <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (L/W/2AC4-C)
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Belgium	272	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	748	
Germany	96	
France	205	
The Netherlands	623	
Sweden	8	
Union	1 952	
United Kingdom	3 476	
TAC	5 428	

Species:	Blue ling	Zone:	6 and 7; United Kingdom and
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<i>Molva dypterygia</i>		international waters of 5 (BLI/5B67-)
Germany	116	Analytical TAC
Estonia	18	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Spain	366	
France	8 333	
Ireland	32	
Lithuania	7	
Poland	4	
Others	32 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	8 908	
Norway	0 ⁽²⁾	
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽³⁾	
United Kingdom	2 614	
TAC	11 522	
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/5B67_AMS).	
(2)	To be fished in Union waters of 2a, 4, 5b, 6 and 7 (BLI/*24X7C).	
(3)	By-catches of roundnose grenadier and black scabbardfish to be counted against this quota. To be fished in Union waters of 6a north of 56° 30'N and 6b. This provision shall not apply for catches subject to the landing obligation.	

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	International waters of 12 (BLI/12INT-)
Estonia	0 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Spain	92 ⁽¹⁾	Article 7(1) of this Regulation applies	
France	2 ⁽¹⁾		
Lithuania	1 ⁽¹⁾		
Others	0 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		
Union	95 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	1 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	96 ⁽¹⁾		
(1)	Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota.		
(2)	Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/12INT_AMS).		

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 2; United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4 (BLI/24-)
Denmark	2	Precautionary TAC	
Germany	2		
Ireland	2		
France	12		

Others	2 ⁽¹⁾
Union	20
United Kingdom	7

TAC 27

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (BLI/24_AMS).

Species:	Blue ling <i>Molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	Union and international waters of 3a (BLI/03A-)
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Denmark	1	Precautionary TAC
Germany	1	
Sweden	1	
Union	4	

TAC 4

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 1 and 2 (LIN/1/2.)
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Denmark	9	Precautionary TAC
Germany	9	
France	9	
Others	5 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	33	
United Kingdom	10	

TAC 43

(1) Exclusively for by-catches. No directed fisheries are permitted under this quota. Catches to be counted against this shared quota shall be reported separately (LIN/1/2_AMS).

Species:	Ling <i>Molva molva</i>	Zone:	European Union waters of 3a (LIN/03A-C.)
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Belgium	13	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	97	
Germany	13	
Sweden	39	
Union	162	
United Kingdom	13	

TAC 175

Species:	Ling	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4
	<i>Molva molva</i>		(LIN/04-C.)

Belgium	23	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	351	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Germany	217	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
France	195	⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	8		
Sweden	15	⁽²⁾	
Union	809		
United Kingdom	3 004	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	

TAC 3 813

(1) Special condition: of which up to 20% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'.

(2) Special condition: of which up to 25 % but no more than 75t may be fished in: Union waters of 3a (LIN/*03A-C).

Species:	Ling	Zone:	United Kingdom and international waters of 5
	<i>Molva molva</i>		(LIN/05EI.)

Belgium	8	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	6	
Germany	6	
France	6	
Union	26	
United Kingdom	6	

TAC 32

Species:	Ling	Zone:	6, 7, 8, 9 and 10; international waters of 12 and 14
	<i>Molva molva</i>		(LIN/6X14.)

Belgium	66	⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	12	⁽¹⁾	
Germany	241	⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	4 867		
Spain	5 188		
France	1 301	⁽¹⁾	
Portugal	12		
Union	11 687		
Norway	0	⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	
Faroe Islands	0	⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	
United Kingdom	6 669	⁽¹⁾	

TAC 18 356

- (1) Special condition: of which up to 40 % may be fished in: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4 (LIN/*04-C).
- (2) Special condition: of which an incidental catch of other species of 25 % per vessel, at any moment, is authorised in 5b, 6 and 7. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in 5b, 6 and 7 shall not exceed the amount below in tonnes (OTH/*6X14.). By-catch of cod under this provision in area 6a may not be more than 5 %.
- 0
- (3) Including tusk. The quotas for Norway shall only be fished with long-lines in 5b, 6 and 7, and they amount to:
- Ling (LIN/*5B67-) 0
- Tusk (USK/*5B67-) 0
- (4) The ling and tusk quotas for Norway are interchangeable up to the following amount, in tonnes:
- 0
- (5) Including tusk. To be fished in 6b and 6a north of 56°30' N (LIN/*6BAN.).
- (6) Special condition: of which an incidental catch of other species of 20 % per vessel, at any moment, is authorised in 6a and 6b. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in 6a and 6b shall not exceed the following amount in tonnes (OTH/*6AB.):

Species:	Norway lobster	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a
	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>		(NEP/2AC4-C)

Belgium	997	Analytical TAC
Denmark	997	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	15	
France	29	
The Netherlands	514	
Union	2 553	
United Kingdom	16 524	

Species:	Norway lobster	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b
	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>		(NEP/5BC6.)

Spain	30	Analytical TAC
France	121	
Ireland	202	
Union	353	
United Kingdom	14 592	
TAC	14 945	

Species:	Norway lobster	Zone:	7
	<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>		(NEP/07.)

Spain	993 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
France	4 023 ⁽¹⁾	

Ireland	6 102 ⁽¹⁾
Union	11 118 ⁽¹⁾
United Kingdom	6 908 ⁽¹⁾

TAC 18 026 ⁽¹⁾

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

Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea 7 (NEP/*07U16):

Spain	992
France	621
Ireland	1 194
Union	2 807
TAC	5 016

Species: Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (PRA/2AC4-C)
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Denmark	490	Precautionary TAC
The Netherlands	5	
Sweden	20	
Union	515	
United Kingdom	145	

Species: Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone: Kattegat (PLE/03AS.)
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Denmark	640	Analytical TAC
Germany	7	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Sweden	72	
Union	719	
TAC	719	

Species: Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone: 4; Union waters of 2a; that part of 3a not covered by the Skagerrak and the Kattegat (PLE/2A3AX4)
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Belgium	2 938	Analytical TAC
Denmark	9 548	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	2 754	

France	551
The Netherlands	18 362
Union	34 154
Norway	10 039
United Kingdom	24 940
TAC	143 419

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zone:

Norwegian waters of 4 (PLE/*04N-)

Union	39 153
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Species:	Plaice	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and
	<u><i>Pleuronectes platessa</i></u>		(PLE/56-14)
France	10	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	248		
Union	258		
United Kingdom	400		
TAC	658		

Species:	Plaice	Zone:	7a
	<u><i>Pleuronectes platessa</i></u>		(PLE/07A.)
Belgium	62	Analytical TAC	
France	27	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	1 069		
The Netherlands	19		
Union	1 177		
United Kingdom	1 455		
TAC	2 846		

Species:	Plaice	Zone:	7b and 7c
	<u><i>Pleuronectes platessa</i></u>		(PLE/7BC.)
France	4	Precautionary TAC	
Ireland	15		
Union	19		

TAC 19

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (PLE/7DE.)
Belgium	1 537	Analytical TAC	
France	6 850	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	8 387		
United Kingdom	3 533		
TAC	11 920		

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (PLE/7FG.)
Belgium	360	Precautionary TAC	
France	648	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	240		
Union	1 249		
United Kingdom	480		
TAC	1 911		

Species:	Plaice <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>	Zone:	7h, 7j and 7k (PLE/7HJK.)
Belgium	4 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
France	8 ⁽¹⁾	Article 9 of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	28 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
The Netherlands	16 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	56 ⁽¹⁾		
United Kingdom	11 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	67 ⁽¹⁾		

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (POL/56-14)
Spain	3	Precautionary TAC	
France	88		
Ireland	26		
Union	117		

United Kingdom 67

TAC 184

Species:	Pollack <i>Pollachius pollachius</i>	Zone:	7 (POL/07.)
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Belgium	277 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Spain	17 ⁽¹⁾	
France	6 381 ⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	680 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	7 355 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	2 071 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 9 426

(1) Special condition: of which up to 2 % may be fished in: 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e (POL/*8ABDE).

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	3a and 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (POK/2C3A4)
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Belgium	19	Analytical TAC
Denmark	2 287	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	5 776 ⁽¹⁾	
France	13 594 ⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	58	
Sweden	314	
Union	22 048	
Norway	31 096 ⁽²⁾	
United Kingdom	6 367 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 59 511

(1) Special condition: of which up to 15% may be fished in United Kingdom, European Union and international waters of 6a north of 58°30'.

(2) May only be taken in Union waters of 4 and in 3a (POK/*3A4-C). Catches taken within this quota are to be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC.

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b, 12 and 14 (POK/56-14)
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Germany	319 ⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
France	3 160 ⁽¹⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Ireland	369	
Union	3 848	
Norway	0	
United Kingdom	2 327 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 6 175

(1) Special condition: of which up to 30% may be fished in United Kingdom and European Union waters of 2a and 4 (POK/*2C3A4)

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	7, 8, 9 and 10; European Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (POK/7/3411)
Belgium	5	Precautionary TAC	
France	1 196		
Ireland	1 493		
Union	2 695		
United Kingdom	481		
TAC	3 176		
Species:	Turbot and brill <i>Scophthalmus maximus and Scophthalmus rhombus</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (T/B/2AC4-C)
Belgium	413	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	883	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	225		
France	106		
The Netherlands	3 130		
Sweden	6		
Union	4 763		
United Kingdom	1 063		
TAC	5 848		
Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	European Union and United Kingdom waters 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (SRX/2AC4-C)
Belgium	257 (1)(2)(3)(4)	Precautionary TAC	
Denmark	10 (1)(2)(3)		
Germany	13 (1)(2)(3)		
France	40 (1)(2)(3)(4)		
The Netherlands	220 (1)(2)(3)(4)		
Union	540 (1)(3)		
United Kingdom	1 110 (1)(2)(3)(4)		
TAC	1 650 (3)		

(1) Catches of blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) in Union waters of 4 (RJH/04-C), cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/2AC4-C), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/2AC4-C) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/2AC4-C) shall be reported separately.

- (2) By-catch quota. These species shall not comprise more than 25 % by live weight of the catch retained on board per fishing trip. This condition applies only to vessels over 15 metres' length overall. This provision shall not apply for catches subject to the landing obligation as set out in Article 15(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 and UK retained Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013..
- (3) Shall not apply to blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) in Union waters of 2a and small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) in Union waters of 2a and 4. When accidentally caught, these species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen shall be encouraged to develop and use techniques and equipment to facilitate the rapid and safe release of the species.
- (4) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in United Kingdom and Union waters of 7d (SRX/*07D2.), without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Articles 20 and 57 of this Regulation and in UK law for the areas specified therein. Catches of blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/*07D2.), cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/*07D2.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/*07D2.) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/*07D2.) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) and undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 3a (SRX/03A-C.)
Denmark	35 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Sweden	10 ⁽¹⁾		
Union	45 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	45		
(1)	Catches of cuckoo ray (<i>Leucoraja naevus</i>) (RJN/03A-C.), blonde ray (<i>Raja brachyura</i>) (RJH/03A-C.) and spotted ray (<i>Raja montagui</i>) (RJM/03A-C.) shall be reported separately.		

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k (SRX/67AKXD)
Belgium	837 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Precautionary TAC	
Estonia	5 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
France	3 757 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Germany	11 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Ireland	1 210 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Lithuania	19 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
The Netherlands	4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Portugal	21 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Spain	1 011 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
Union	6 875 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
United Kingdom	2 800 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
TAC	9 675 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		
(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>Raja circularis</i>) (RJI/67AKXD) and shagreen ray (<i>Raja fullonica</i>) (RJE/67AKXD) shall be reported separately.		
(2)	Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in Union waters of 7d (SRX/*07D.), without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Articles 20 and 57 of this Regulation 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>Raja circularis</i>) (RJI/*07D.) and shagreen ray (<i>Raja fullonica</i>) (RJE/*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 small-eyed ray (<i>Raja microocellata</i>), except in Union waters of 7f and 7g. When accidentally caught, this species shall not be harmed. Specimens shall be promptly released. Fishermen 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 areas 7f and 7g (RJE/7FG.) provided below may be taken:		

Species:	Small-eyed ray	Zone:	Union waters of 7f and 7g
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<i>Raja microocellata</i>		(RJE/7FG.)
Belgium	8	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	0	
France	39	
Germany	0	
Ireland	12	
Lithuania	0	
The Netherlands	0	
Portugal	0	
Spain	10	
Union	69	
United Kingdom	54	
TAC	123	

Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in Union waters of 7d and reported under the following code: (RJE/*07D.). This special condition is without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Articles 20 and 57 of this Regulation and relevant prohibitions in UK law for the areas specified therein.

(4) Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).

Species:	Skates and rays <i>Rajiformes</i>	Zone:	Union waters of 7d (SRX/07D.)
Belgium	125	(1) (2) (3) (4)	Precautionary TAC
France	1 051	(1) (2) (3) (4)	
The Netherlands	7	(1) (2) (3) (4)	
Union	1 183	(1) (2) (3) (4)	
United Kingdom	217	(1) (2) (3) (4)	
TAC	1 400	(4)	

(1) Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/07D.), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/07D.), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/07D.), spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/07D.) and small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) (RJE/07D.) shall be reported separately.

(2) Special condition: of which up to 5 % may be fished in Union waters of 6a, 6b, 7a-c and 7e-k (SRX/*67AKD). Catches of cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/*67AKD), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/*67AKD), blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) (RJH/*67AKD) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/*67AKD) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*) and to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).

(3) Special condition: of which up to 10 % may be fished in Union waters of 2a and 4 (SRX/*2AC4C). Catches of blonde ray (*Raja brachyura*) in Union waters of 4 (RJH/*04-C.), cuckoo ray (*Leucoraja naevus*) (RJN/*2AC4C), thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) (RJC/*2AC4C) and spotted ray (*Raja montagui*) (RJM/*2AC4C) shall be reported separately. This special condition shall not apply to small-eyed ray (*Raja microocellata*).

(4) Shall not apply to undulate ray (*Raja undulata*).

Species:	Undulate ray <i>Raja undulata</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (RJU/7DE.)
Belgium	19	(1)	Precautionary TAC
Estonia	0	(1)	
France	97	(1)	
Germany	0	(1)	

Ireland	25	(1)
Lithuania	0	(1)
The Netherlands	0	(1)
Portugal	0	(1)
Spain	21	(1)
Union	162	(1)
United Kingdom	72	(1)

TAC 234 (1)

(1) This species shall not be targeted in the areas covered by this TAC. This species may only be landed whole or gutted. For Union vessels, this is without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Articles 20 and 57 of this Regulation for the areas specified therein. For United Kingdom vessels, this is without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in relevant prohibitions in UK law for the areas specified therein.

Species: Greenland halibut		Zone: 6 United Kingdom and Union waters of 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b
<i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>		(GHL/2A-C46)
Denmark	29	Analytical TAC
Germany	51	
Estonia	29	
Spain	29	
France	478	
Ireland	29	
Lithuania	29	
Poland	29	
Union	703	
Norway	0	
United Kingdom	1 868	
TAC	2 571	

Species: Mackerel		Zone: 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 2a, 12 and 14
<i>Scomber scombrus</i>		(MAC/2A34.)
Belgium	544	(2)(3) Analytical TAC
Denmark	18 666	(2)(3) Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	567	(1)(2)(3)
France	1 713	(1)(2)(3)
The Netherlands	1 724	(1)(2)(3)
Sweden	5 108	(2)(3)(4)
Union	28 322	(2)(3)
Norway	Not relevant	(5)

United Kingdom

Not ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
relevant

TAC

852 284

- (1) Special condition: up to 60% may be fished in United Kingdom and international waters of 2a, 5b, 6, 7, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (MAC/*2CX14.).
- (2) Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may also be taken in the two following zones:

	Norwegian waters of 2a (MAC/*02AN-)	Faroese waters (MAC/*FRO1)
Belgium	0	0
Denmark	0	0
Germany	0	0
France	0	0
The Netherlands	0	0
Sweden	0	0
Union	0	0

- (3) May also be taken in Norwegian waters of 4a (MAC/*4AN.).
- (4) 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 and whiting and saithe are to be counted against the quotas for those species.

- (5) To be deducted from Norway's share of the TAC (access quota). This amount includes the following Norwegian share in the North Sea TAC :

0

This quota may be fished in 4a only (MAC/*04A.), except for the following amount, in tonnes, which may be fished in 3a (MAC/*03A.):

0

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

	3a	3a and 4b	4b	4c	6, international waters of 2a, from 1 January to 15 February and from 1 September to 31 December
	(MAC/*03A.)	(MAC/*3A4B C)	(MAC/*04B.)	(MAC/*04C.)	(MAC/*2A6.)
Denmark	0	4130	0	0	11 200
France	0	490	0	0	0
The Netherlands	0	490	0	0	0
Sweden	0	0	390	10	2 914
United Kingdom	0	Not relevant	0	0	0
Norway	0	0	0	0	0

Species:	Mackerel	Zone:	6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; Union and international waters of 5b; international waters of 2a, 12 and 14
	<i>Scomber scombrus</i>		(MAC/2CX14-)

Germany

18 254 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Analytical TAC

Spain	19	⁽²⁾	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Estonia	152	⁽²⁾	
France	12 171	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Ireland	60 847	⁽²⁾	
Latvia	112	⁽²⁾	
Lithuania	112	⁽²⁾	
The Netherlands	26 620	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Poland	1 285	⁽²⁾	
Union	119 573	⁽²⁾	
Norway	0	⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	
Faroe Islands	0	⁽⁵⁾	
United Kingdom	Not relevant	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	

TAC 852 284

- (1) Special condition: up to 100% may be fished in United Kingdom waters of 4a (MAC/*4A) exclusively within the periods 1 January to 14 February and 1 August to 31 December.
- (2) Special condition: of which up to 25 % can be made available for exchanges to be fished by Spain, France and Portugal in 8c, 9 and 10 and Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (MAC/*8C910).
- (3) May be fished in 2a, 6a north of 56° 30' N, 4a, 7d, 7e, 7f and 7h (MAC/*AX7H).
- (4) The following additional amount of access quota, in tonnes, may be fished by Norway North of 56°30' N and counted against its catch limit (MAC/*N5630):
- 0
- (5) This amount shall be deducted from the Faroe Islands' catch limit (access quota). It may be fished only in 6a north of 56° 30' N (MAC/*6AN56). However, from 1 January to 15 February and from 1 October to 31 December this quota may also be fished in 2a, 4a north of 59°(EU zone) (MAC/*24N59).

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones and periods:

	Union and United Kingdom waters of 4a. During the periods from 1 January to 15 February and from 1 August to 31 December	Norwegian waters of 2a	Faroese waters
	(MAC/*4A-EN)	(MAC/*2AN-)	(MAC/*FRO2)
Germany	18 254	0	0
France	12 171	0	0
Ireland	60 847	0	0
The Netherlands	26 620	0	0
Union	71 744	0	0
United Kingdom	Not relevant	0	0

Species: Common sole	Zone: United Kingdom and European Union waters 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a
<i>Solea solea</i>	(SOL/24-C.)

Belgium	1 614	Analytical TAC
Denmark	738	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Germany	1 291	
France	323	
The Netherlands	14 569	
Union	18 534	
Norway	10 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	2 544	
TAC	21 361	
(1)	May be fished only in Union waters of 4 (SOL/*04-C.).	

Species:	Common sole	Zone:	6; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14
	<i>Solea solea</i>		(SOL/56-14)

Ireland	46	Precautionary TAC
Union	46	
United Kingdom	11	
TAC	57	

Species:	Common sole	Zone:	7a
	<i>Solea solea</i>		(SOL/07A.)

Belgium	356	Analytical TAC
France	5	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Ireland	104	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
The Netherlands	113	
Union	578	
United Kingdom	176	
TAC	768	

Species:	Common sole	Zone:	7b and 7c
	<i>Solea solea</i>		(SOL/7BC.)

France	6	Precautionary TAC
Ireland	28	
Union	34	
TAC	34	

Species:	Common sole	Zone:	7d
	<i>Solea solea</i>		(SOL/07D.)

Belgium	830	Precautionary TAC
France	1 659	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Union	2 489	
United Kingdom	640	
TAC	3 248	

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7e (SOL/07E.)
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Belgium	63	Analytical TAC
France	671	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Union	733	
United Kingdom	1 175	
TAC	1 925	

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7f and 7g (SOL/7FG.)
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Belgium	830	Analytical TAC
France	83	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Ireland	42	
Union	955	
United Kingdom	433	
TAC	1 413	

Species:	Common sole <i>Solea solea</i>	Zone:	7h, 7j and 7k (SOL/7HJK.)
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Belgium	23	Precautionary TAC
France	47	Article 8(2) of this Regulation applies
Ireland	126	Article 7(1) of this Regulation applies
The Netherlands	37	
Union	233	
United Kingdom	47	
TAC	280	

Species:	Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Zone:	7d and 7e (SPR/7DE.)
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Belgium	4	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	284	
Germany	4	

France	61
The Netherlands	61
Union	414
United Kingdom	1 032

TAC 1 446

Species: Picked dogfish <i>Squalus acanthias</i>	Zone: 6,7 and 8; United Kingdom and international waters of 5; International waters of 1, 12 and 14 (DGS/15X14)
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Belgium	18 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Germany	4 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Spain	9 ⁽¹⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
France	76 ⁽¹⁾	
Ireland	48 ⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	0 ⁽¹⁾	
Portugal	0 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	155 ⁽¹⁾	
United Kingdom	115 ⁽¹⁾	

TAC 270 ⁽¹⁾

(1) Picked dogfish shall not be targeted in the areas covered by this by-catch allowance. Only vessels participating in by-catch management schemes may land not more than 2 tonnes per month per vessel of picked dogfish that is dead at the moment when the fishing gear is hauled on board under this quota. Each Party shall independently determine how to allocate its quota to the vessels participating in its by-catch management schemes. Each Party shall ensure that the total annual landing of picked dogfish on the basis of the by-catch allowance does not exceed the above amounts. Parties should exchange the list of participating vessels before allowing any landings.

Species: Horse mackerel and associated by-catches <i>Trachurus spp.</i>	Zone: United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4b, 4c and 7d (JAX/4BC7D)
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Belgium	12 ⁽¹⁾	Precautionary TAC
Denmark	5 249 ⁽¹⁾	
Germany	464 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Spain	97 ⁽¹⁾	
France	435 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Ireland	330 ⁽¹⁾	
The Netherlands	3 160 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Portugal	11 ⁽¹⁾	
Sweden	75 ⁽¹⁾	
Union	9 835	
Norway	0 ⁽³⁾	
United Kingdom	4 000 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	

TAC 14 014

- (1) Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of boarfish, haddock, whiting and mackerel (OTH/*4BC7D). By-catches of boarfish, haddock, 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.
- (2) Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota fished in division 7d may be accounted for as fished under the quota concerning the following zone: Union waters of 2a, 4a, 6, 7a-c, 7e-k, 8a, 8b, 8d and 8e; Union and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (JAX/*7D-EU).
- (3) May be fished in Union waters of 4a but may not be fished in Union waters of 7d (JAX/*04-C.).

Species:	Horse mackerel and associated by-catches <i>Trachurus spp.</i>	Zone:	United Kingdom and European Union waters of 4a; 6, 7a-c, e-k; 8a-b, d-e; United Kingdom waters of 2a; United Kingdom and international waters of 5b; international waters of 12 and 14 (JAX/2A-14)
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Denmark	6 758	⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	Analytical TAC
Germany	5 273	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
Spain	7 192	⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	
France	2 714	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	
Ireland	17 561	⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	
The Netherlands	21 156	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	
Portugal	693	⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾	
Sweden	675	⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	
Union	62 021	⁽³⁾	
Faroe Islands	0	⁽⁴⁾	
United Kingdom	6 597	⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	

TAC 70 254

- (1) Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota fished in Union waters of 2a or 4a before 30 June may be accounted for as fished under the quota concerning the zone of Union waters of 4b, 4c and 7d (JAX/*2A4AC).
- (2) Special condition: up to 5 % of this quota may be fished in 7d (JAX/*07D.). Under this special condition, and in accordance with footnote (3), by-catches of boarfish and whiting shall be reported separately under the following code: (OTH/*07D.).
- (3) Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of boarfish, haddock, whiting and mackerel (OTH/*2A-14). By-catches of boarfish, haddock, 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.
- (4) Limited to 4a, 6a (north of 56° 30' N only), 7e, 7f, 7h.
- (5) Special condition: up to 80% of this quota may be fished in 8c (JAX/*08C2). Under this special condition, and in accordance with footnote (3), by-catches of boarfish and whiting shall be reported separately under the following code: (OTH/*08C2).

Species:	Horse mackerel <i>Trachurus spp.</i>	Zone:	8c (JAX/08C.)
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Spain	9 963	⁽¹⁾	Analytical TAC
France	173		
Portugal	985	⁽¹⁾	
Union	11 121		
TAC	11 121		

- (1) Special condition: up to 10 % of this quota may be fished in 9 (JAX/*09.).

Species:	Norway pout and associated by-catches <i>Trisopterus esmarkii</i>	Zone:	3a; United Kingdom and European Union waters and 4; United Kingdom waters of 2a (NOP/2A3A4.)
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Year	2021	2022		
Denmark	116 447 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	pm ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾	Analytical TAC	
Germany	22 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	pm ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
The Netherlands	86 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	pm ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	116 555 ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	pm ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾		
United Kingdom	11 745 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	pm ⁽²⁾⁽⁶⁾		
Norway	0 ⁽⁴⁾	pm ⁽⁴⁾		
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽⁵⁾	pm ⁽⁵⁾		
TAC	Not relevant	Not relevant		
(1)	Up to 5 % of the quota may consist of by-catches of haddock and whiting (OT2/*2A3A4). By-catches of haddock and whiting 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.			
(2)	Quota may be fished in United Kingdom and European Union waters of ICES zones 2a, 3a and 4 only.			
(3)	May only be fished from 1 November 2020 to 31 October 2021.			
(4)	A sorting grid shall be used.			
(5)	A sorting grid shall be used. Includes a maximum of 15 % of unavoidable by-catches (NOP/*2A3A4), to be counted against this quota.			
(6)	May only be fished from 1 November 2021 to 31 October 2022.			

Species:	Other species	Zone:	Union waters of 5b, 6 and 7 (OTH/5B67-C)
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Union	Not relevant	Precautionary TAC
Norway	0 ⁽¹⁾	
TAC	Not relevant	
(1)	Taken with long-lines only.	

Species:	Other species	Zone:	Union waters of 2a, 4 and 6a north of 56° 30' N (OTH/2A46AN)
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Union	not relevant	Precautionary TAC
Norway	1 000 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
Faroe Islands	0 ⁽³⁾	
TAC	Not relevant	

- (1) Limited to 2a and 4 (OTH/*2A4-C).
- (2) Species not covered by other TACs.
- (3) To be fished in 4 and 6a north of 56°30' N (OTH/*46AN).

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Part C: Amendments to Annex IB to Regulation (EU) 2021/92

Annex IB to Regulation (EU) 2021/92 is amended as follows:

Entries are replaced by the following entries:

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Species:	Cod and haddock <i>Gadus morhua and Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (C/H/05B-F.)
Germany	0	Analytical TAC	
France	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

Species:	Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters (WHB/2A4AXF)
Denmark	0	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
The Netherlands	0		
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		
(1)	Catches of blue whiting may include unavoidable by-catches of greater silver smelt.		

Species:	Ling and blue ling <i>Molva molva and molva dypterygia</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (B/L/05B-F.)
Germany	0	Analytical TAC	
France	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	0 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	Not relevant		

(1) By-catches of roundnose grenadier and black scabbardfish may be counted against this quota, up to the following limit (OTH/*05B-F):

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Species:	Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5 and 14 (PRA/514GRN)
Denmark	1 925	Analytical TAC	
France	1 925	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Union	3 850	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	1 000	Article 7a of this Regulation shall apply	
Faroe Islands	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

Species:	Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i>	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (POK/05B-F.)
Belgium	0	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
The Netherlands	0		
United Kingdom	0		
Union	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

Species:	Greenland halibut <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Zone:	Greenland waters of 5, 12 and 14 (GHL/5-14GL)
Germany	4 300	Analytical TAC	
Union	4 300 ⁽¹⁾	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Norway	650	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Faroe Islands	0	Article 7a of this Regulation shall apply	
TAC	Not relevant		
(1)	To be fished by no more than 6 vessels at the same time.		

Species:	Redfish (pelagic)	Zone:	Greenland waters of NAFO 1F and Greenland waters of 5, 12 and 14
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<i>Sebastes spp.</i>		(RED/N1G14P)
Germany	0	(1)(2)(3) Analytical TAC
France	0	(1)(2)(3) Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	0	(1)(2)(3) Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Norway	0	(1)(2) Article 7a of this Regulation shall apply
Faroe Islands	0	(1)(2)(4)
TAC	Not relevant	

(1) May only be fished from 10 May to 31 December.

(2) May only be fished in Greenland waters within the Redfish Conservation Area bounded by the lines joining the following coordinates:

Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	64°45'N	28°30'W
2	62°50'N	25°45'W
3	61°55'N	26°45'W
4	61°00'N	26°30'W
5	59°00'N	30°00'W
6	59°00'N	34°00'W
7	61°30'N	34°00'W
8	62°50'N	36°00'W
9	64°45'N	28°30'W

(3) Special condition: this quota may also be fished in international waters of the Redfish Conservation Area mentioned above (RED/*5-14P).

(4) May only be fished in Greenland Waters of 5 and 14 (RED/*514GN).

Species:	Redfish	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b
	<i>Sebastes spp.</i>		(RED/05B-F.)
Belgium	0	Analytical TAC	
Germany	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
United Kingdom	0		
Union	0		
TAC	Not relevant		

Species:	Other species	(1)	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b
				(OTH/05B-F.)
Germany	0	Analytical TAC		
France	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply		
United Kingdom	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply		

Union 0

TAC Not relevant

(1) Excluding fish species of no commercial value.

Species:	Flatfishes	Zone:	Faroese waters of 5b (FLX/05B-F.)
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Germany	0	Analytical TAC
France	0	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
United Kingdom	0	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Union	0	

TAC Not relevant

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Part D: Amendments to Annex V to Regulation (EU) 2021/92

Annex V (fishing authorisations table) is replaced by the following:

“ANNEX V
FISHING AUTHORISATIONS
PART A
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FISHING AUTHORISATIONS
FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS FISHING IN THIRD-COUNTRY WATERS

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States		Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Norwegian waters and fishery zone around Jan Mayen	Herring, north of 62° 00' N	69	DK	25	51
			DE	5	
			FR	1	
			IE	8	
			NL	9	
			PL	1	
			SE	10	

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States		Maximum number of vessels present at any time
	Demersal species, north of 62° 00' N	66	DE	16	41
			IE	1	
			ES	20	
			FR	18	
			PT	9	
			Unallocated	2	
	Mackerel ⁽¹⁾	Not relevant	Not relevant		70
	Industrial species, south of 62° 00' N	450	DK	450	141

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States		Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Faroese waters	All trawl fisheries with vessels of not more than 180 feet in the zone between 12 and 21 miles from the Faroese baselines	0	BE	0	0
			DE	0	
			FR	0	
	Directed fisheries for cod and haddock with a minimum mesh of 135 mm, restricted to the area south of 62° 28' N and east of 6° 30' W	0 ⁽²⁾	Not relevant		0
	Trawl fisheries outside 21 miles from the Faroese baseline. In the periods from 1 March to 31 May and from 1 October to 31 December, those vessels may operate in the area between 61° 20' N and 62° 00' N and between 12 and 21 miles from the baselines	0	BE	0	0
			DE	0	
			FR	0	

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States		Maximum number of vessels present at any time
	Trawl fisheries for blue ling with a minimum mesh of 100 mm in the area south of 61° 30' N and west of 9° 00' W and in the area between 7° 00' W and 9° 00' W south of 60° 30' N and in the area south-west of a line between 60° 30' N, 7° 00' W and 60°00' N, 6°00' W	0	DE ⁽³⁾	0	0 ⁽⁴⁾
			FR ⁽³⁾	0	
	Directed trawl fisheries for saithe with a minimum mesh size of 120 mm and with the possibility to use round-straps around the cod-end	0	Not relevant		0 ⁽⁴⁾
	Fisheries for blue whiting. The total number of fishing authorisations may be increased by four vessels to form pairs, should the Faroese authorities introduce special rules of access to an area called 'main fishing area of blue whiting'	0	DE	0	0
			DK	0	
			FR	0	
			NL	0	
			SE	0	
			ES	0	
			IE	0	
PT	0				
Mackerel	0	DK	0	0	
		BE	0		
		DE	0		
		FR	0		
		IE	0		
		NL	0		
		SE	0		
Herring, north of 62° 00' N	0	DK	0	0	
		DE	0		
		IE	0		
		FR	0		
		NL	0		
		PL	0		
		SE	0		

Area of fishing	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Allocation of fishing authorisations amongst Member States		Maximum number of vessels present at any time
1, 2b ⁽⁵⁾	Fishery for snow crab with pots	20	EE	1	Not applicable
			ES	1	
			LV	11	
			LT	4	
			PL	3	
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)	<p>Without prejudice to additional licences granted to Sweden by Norway in accordance with established practice.</p> <p>Those figures are included in the figures for all trawl fisheries with vessels of not more than 180 feet in the zone between 12 and 21 miles from the Faroese baselines.</p> <p>Those figures refer to the maximum number of vessels present at any time.</p> <p>Those figures are included in the figures for ‘Trawl fisheries outside 21 miles from the Faroese baselines’.</p> <p>The allocation of fishing opportunities available to the Union in the zone of Svalbard is without prejudice to the rights and obligations deriving from the Treaty of Paris of 1920.</p>				

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PART B
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FISHING AUTHORISATIONS
 FOR THIRD-COUNTRY VESSELS FISHING IN UNION WATERS

Flag State	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Norway	Herring, north of 62° 00' N	To be established	To be established
Faroe Islands	Mackerel, 6a (north of 56° 30' N), 2a, 4a (north of 59° N) Horse mackerel, 4, 6a (north of 56° 30' N), 7e, 7f, 7h	0	0
	Herring, north of 62° 00' N	0	0
	Herring, 3a	0	0
	Industrial fishing for Norway pout, 4, 6a (north of 56° 30' N) (including unavoidable by-catches of blue whiting)	0	0
	Ling and tusk	0	0
	Blue whiting, 2, 4a, 5, 6a (north of 56° 30' N), 6b, 7 (west of 12° 00' W)	0	0
	Blue ling	0	0

Flag State	Fishery	Number of fishing authorisations	Maximum number of vessels present at any time
Venezuela ⁽¹⁾	Snappers (French Guiana waters)	45	45
<p>⁽¹⁾ To issue those fishing authorisations, proof must be produced that a valid contract exists between the vessel owner applying for the fishing authorisation and a processing undertaking situated in the Department of French Guiana, and that it includes an obligation to land at least 75 % of all snapper catches from the vessel concerned in that department so that they may be processed in that undertaking's plant. Such a contract must be endorsed by the French authorities, which shall ensure that it is consistent both with the actual capacity of the contracting processing undertaking and with the objectives for the development of the Guianese economy. A copy of the duly endorsed contract shall be appended to the fishing authorisation application. Where such an endorsement is refused, the French authorities shall give notification of this refusal and state their reasons for it to the party concerned and to the Commission.</p>			