

**Annual Report on the Implementation of the Revised Interim Measures for Pelagic Fisheries in  
2010  
Republic of Korea**

Effort Management Measures

Korea's gross tonnage limit has been set to 15,222 GT in Table 1 in the Revised Interim Measures for Pelagic Fisheries. To inform this limit to the relevant vessel owners and fisheries companies which are engaged in the Chilean jack mackerel fishery, the Korean government held a workshop in December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and sent the official notice. During the year 2010, the Korean government issued authorization to be engaged in pelagic fisheries in the SPRFMO Area only to two vessels, whose combined weight is 10,777GT. As such, Korea fully complied with the measure regarding the gross tonnage limit.

Catch Management Measures

During the year 2010, two Korean vessels participated in pelagic fisheries catching 8,183 tonnes of Chilean jack mackerels in the SPRFMO Area. This voluntarily reduced amount is below the level of 2007, 2008 and 2009 as set out in paragraph 9 of the Revised Interim Measures for Pelagic Fisheries. Korea's annual catches in 2007, 2008 and 2009 were 10,940mt, 12,600mt, 13,759mt, respectively. Korea is planning to increase the amount of catch by extending the duration of trips in 2011.

Vessel Monitoring System

Korea has verified the effective presence of Korean vessels through VMS data and catch reports. All Korean vessels engaged in pelagic fisheries in the SPRFMO water were equipped with and operated VMSs without failure in 2010.

Data collection, reporting and monitoring and control measures

Korea submitted data collected in accordance with SPRFMO Data Standards. Korea notified the Interim Secretariat the list of the vessels that have plans to fish in the SPRFMO Convention Area. Korea also provided monthly catches of the Chilean jack mackerels to the Interim Secretariat by the required deadline.

Observer coverage of trips

Korea did not dispatch observers in 2010 because of observer supply shortages. Many observers are avoiding the SPRFMO Area due to harsh conditions and safety issues and making it hard for the government to send them aboard to conduct their missions in the Area. In addition, the relatively short duration of fishing trip of Korean fishing vessels and the smaller amount of catch compared to other species also contributed to Korea's low observer coverage on the SPRFMO water fisheries.