

Interim Measure for Deepwater Gillnets in the Convention Area

Participants commit themselves to:

1. require any vessel flying their flag not to use deepwater gillnets in the Convention Area until relevant conservation and management measures are adopted by the future Commission, which will be established following the entry into force of the Convention; and
2. require any vessel flying their flag seeking to transit the Convention Area carrying gillnets to give advance notice of its intent, including the expected dates of its passage through the Convention Area, to the Interim Secretariat.

This Interim Measure will have effect for all participants from 1 February 2010. If a participant informs the Interim Secretariat before 1 February 2010 that it will not apply this Interim Measure, this Interim Measure will not apply to that participant.