



**44<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF NAFO - SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Review of NAFO CEM Article 5.5(j)**

Article 5.5(j) of the NAFO CEM is time sensitive. the Commission reviewed Article 5.5(j) at the Annual Meeting of NAFO in September 2022 and agreed to update as follows:

**Article 5 – Catch and Effort Limitations**

**Closure of Fisheries for Stocks Listed in Annex I.A and I.B Subject to Quota or Fishing Effort**

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5. Each Contracting Party shall:

- (j) close its directed fishery for cod in Division 3M between 00:00 UTC 1 January ~~2022~~2023 and 24:00 UTC 31 March ~~2022~~2023. During this period, all Contracting Parties shall ensure that its vessels limit the catches retained on board and in any one haul of this stock in line with Article 6.3(a) and observe the move-on provisions in Article 6.6(b).

