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Canadian Proposal for Reporting Fish on Board Vessels Entering Convention Area

Canadian Surveillance officials acting under the ICNAF and NAFO Schemes of Joint International Enforcement have, on many occasions been informed by the Captains of vessels of some Member Countries, that some or all of the fish on board their vessels was caught outside the Convention Area including the United Kingdom, Norway and on grounds immediately outside the Eastern extremity of the Convention Area. It is noted that ICNAF and NAFO lack any measures to require vessels to report, or record, such catches prior to commencing a fishery in the Convention Area.

In order to provide better control of quota compliance and to make the surveillance effort under the Scheme of Joint Enforcement more meaningful it is requested that the Commission consider adoption of a regulation to provide that each vessel with fish on board entering the Regulatory Area shall have in its fishing log a record of the amount of each species of fish or processed fish on board.

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