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Paper on Chartering

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Chartering operations

1. Each Contracting Party may grant, partly or wholly, quotas and shrimp fishing days allocated to that Party under Schedule I and Part I.F to fishing vessels flying the flag of another Contracting Party, notified in accordance with Part III.D, subject to:
  - the consent of the flag Contracting Party;
  - a favourable proposal adopted through a mail vote in accordance with Article XI(2) of the Convention
2. Contracting Parties shall limit such transfers to one fishing vessel per year and for a limited duration not exceeding 6 months.
3. Contracting Parties intending to have recourse to charter transfers shall notify the following information to the NAFO Executive Secretary:
  - the name and registration of the vessel and flag Contracting Party
  - a copy of the charter
  - the fishing possibilities granted
  - the date as from which the vessel is authorized to commence fishing on these fishing possibilities
  - the duration of the charter
4. The flag Contracting Party shall notify in writing its consent to the NAFO Executive Secretary.
5. The NAFO Executive Secretary shall circulate the above information and the consent of the flag Contracting Party without delay to Contracting Parties.

6. The Contracting Party of the vessel accepting a charter is responsible for ensuring that the vessel complies with the requirements of the NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures. This does not nullify the obligations of the Contracting Party to which the quota and shrimp fishing days have been allocated under Part I of the Conservation and Enforcement Measures, as appropriate.
7. As a pilot project, these provisions shall apply only to the year 2000.