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Article 20, paragraph 1 of the Conservation and Enforcement Measures shall be amended as follows: (amendment underlined)

1. In order to improve and maintain compliance with the Conservation and Enforcement Measures for their vessels fishing in the Regulatory Area, fishing vessels operating in the Regulatory Area shall be equipped with a satellite monitoring device allowing the continuous reporting of their position by the Contracting Party. The satellite monitoring device shall ensure the automatic communication at least once every two hours to a land-based fisheries monitoring centre of the flag state (hereafter referred to as FMC) of data relating to:
 - a) the vessel identification;
 - b) the most recent geographical position of the vessel (longitude, latitude) with a position error which shall be less than 500 metres, with a confidence interval of 99%; and
 - c) the date and time of the fixing of the said position of the vessel.

The first transmitted position report in the Regulatory Area detected by the FMC of the Contracting Party shall be identified as “ENT”. All subsequent position reports shall be identified as “POS” except the first position report detected outside the Regulatory Area which shall be identified as “EXI”.

If a Contracting Party so requests, the Secretariat shall confirm receipt of all electronic reports using a return message identified as “RET”.