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Explanation of the German Democratic Republic to basic effort  
data for effort regulations in Subareas 2 to 4

The proposed fishing days submitted by the German Democratic Republic were prepared on the basis of our statistical reports to ICNAF and on the principles instituted at the Seventh Special Meeting.

In difference to the data used in Proceeding No.4 Appendix I of the Seventh Special Meeting the German Democratic Republic has changed the base period from 1972-73 to 1972.

In the ICNAF statistics and the data used in the Montreal meeting the so-called Zubringertrawler (small trawlers without processing capacity) with a tonnage of 980 GT are unfortunately listed under the category 1.000 - 1.999,9 GT. This error has now been corrected.

A very low number of days with a pelagic fishery reported for 1972 has now been added to the fishing days for groundfish. The reason for this is that the pelagic fishery was directed to groundfish species.

For the reasons mentioned, our figures are as follows :

Base figures 1972

	2+3K	3LNO	3P	4VWX	Total
500-999,9	1120	65	2	199	1386
> 2000	165	3	-	-	168
	1285	68	2	199	1554

Effort reduction by 50%

	2+3K	3LNO	3P	4VWX	Total
500-999,9	560	65	2	199	826
> 2000	165	3	-	-	168
	725	68	2	199	994

According to the principles instituted at the Seventh Special Meeting a transfer of fishing days between divisions respectively between tonnage classes has been made.

The conversion factor of 1,1 (1 day sterntrawler category of > 2000 GT = 1,1 day Zubringertrawler category of 500-999,9 GT) results from the average of the catch per day for the years 1972, 1973 and 1974 :

500-999,9 GT	26,36 t/fishing day
> 2000 GT	29,03 t/fishing day

Redistribution of fishing effort among the various vessel tonnage, gear and area categories for 1976 :

Vessel tonnage	Gear	Fishing Effort (days fishing)	For 1976
		SA 2+3K	3LNO
500-999,9	OT	682	38
2000	OT	234	30
Total	OT	916	68