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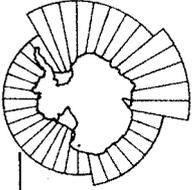
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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Members' attention is drawn to the attached notification by Australia under Conservation Measure 24-01 ('Application of Conservation Measures to Scientific Research'). The information provided is being circulated in accordance with paragraph 2 and Annex 24-01/A of the measure.

Dr D.G.M. Miller
Executive Secretary

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Notification of Australia's intention to conduct pot fishing trials in Division 58.5.2 for *Dissostichus eleginoides*

Delegation of Australia

Background

At CCAMLR XXI “the Commission noted that Australia had notified the commencement of a longline fishery for *D. eleginoides* in Division 58.5.2. That notification was not formally for a new or exploratory fishery, but rather for the introduction of a new fishing gear to an established fishery. The Commission welcomed the approach taken by Australia in providing advance notification of the proposed fishery and of the management provisions planned for that fishery” (CCAMLR XXI, para 9.4).

Proposal

Consistent with Australia's approach at CCAMLR XXI Australia notifies its intention to conduct pot fishing trials in Australia's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) within Division 58.5.2 for *D. eleginoides* in the coming seasons. This Division is unique within CCAMLR waters in that there is an established fishery for *D. eleginoides* harvested by trawling and longlining. These pot fishing trials will be undertaken in accordance with all relevant conservation measures including Conservation Measure 24-01 (2002), *The Application of Conservation Measures to Scientific Research*.

These trials are not intended to take more than the 10 tonne threshold for *Dissostichus* spp. and as such there is no requirement to submit a research plan as outlined in CM 24-01 (2002) paragraph 3(a).

**NOTIFICATION OF RESEARCH VESSEL ACTIVITY IN ACCORDANCE
WITH PARAGRAPH 2 OF CONSERVATION MEASURE 24-01**

Name and registration number of vessel: *FV Austral Leader VNRA*

Division and subarea in which research is to be carried out:

Australia's Exclusive Economic Zone within Division 58.5.2

Estimated dates of entering and leaving CCAMLR Convention Area:

Any time within the designated fishing season for Division 58.5.2.

Purpose of research:

*To evaluate the effectiveness of pot fishing for *D. eleginoides* in Australia's Exclusive Economic Zone in Division 58.5.2.*

Fishing equipment likely to be used:

Other fishing gear (specify): *Fish pots*