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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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In accordance with CM 41-01, each vessel engaged in the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus* spp. in Subarea 48.6 or Divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2 or 58.4.3a in 2010/11 must undertake 10 research hauls on first entry to each small-scale research unit (SSRU). Research hauls must be carried out on, or as close as possible to, the positions (start of set) allocated by the Secretariat.

For 2010/11, the Commission agreed that, in areas of sea-ice, each vessel would be provided with up to three random lots of start positions for the research hauls in each SSRU. These options would be provided by the Secretariat, on request from the notifying Member or its vessel, and prior to the vessel's arrival at the SSRU. The vessel would then choose the allocated start positions which best suited the local sea-ice conditions, and subsequent research hauls would be conducted using the agreed procedure (CCAMLR-XXIX, paragraph 11.26; SC-CAMLR-XXIX, paragraph 3.146 and Annex 4, paragraph 3.6).

Accordingly, each notifying Member or its vessel is requested to contact the Secretariat (data@ccamlr.org) immediately prior to the vessel's entry to an SSRU in Subarea 48.6 or Divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2 or 58.4.3a in order to obtain a spreadsheet containing three random lots of start positions.

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