

COMM CIRC 21/13 SC CIRC 21/09

Report on delayed fishing gear retrieval from Special Research Zone (RS-SRZ) of Subarea 88.1 and SSRUs 882A-B - information submitted by Ukraine

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Ukraine has provided the attached report in accordance with Conservation Measure 31-02, paragraph 6, in relation to delayed fishing gear retrieval as notified by COMM CIRC 21/09-SC CIRC 21/07.

Sincerely,

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Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources

On the delay of fishing vessel «CALIPSO»

The State Agency of Fisheries of Ukraine would like to express the assurances of its highest respect to the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources and has the honor to inform you about the following.

The owner of the fishing vessel «CALIPSO» flying the flag of Ukraine harvesting toothfish in the CCAMLR Convention area informed the State Agency of Fisheries of Ukraine about the delay in the removal of fishing gears due to the technical circumstances after the closure of CCAMLR Subarea 88.1 from

The vessel placed the long-line number 51, from 01:46 to 02:42 (UTC), on January 12, 2021 between the coordinates -75°13.48'S,-175°18.07'W and -75°15.65'S,-174°54.93'W and the long-line number 52 from 03:08 to 04:01 (UTC) between the coordinates -75°17.68'S,-175°01.31'W and -75°14.78'S,-175°20.90'W.

At 05:05 (UTC) the same day the vessel received a notification from the CCAMLR Secretariat about the planned closure of fishing activity in the Special Research Zone of Subarea 88.1 on 13 January 2021 at 08:00 (UTC). As soon as this notification was received, the fishing vessel «CALIPSO» did not place any additional fishing gears and sent a notice to the CCAMLR Secretariat about possible delay.

The vessel completed lifting all previously placed fishing gears on January 13, 2021 at 22:37 (UTC) and went beyond Subarea 88.1.

Please note the above information and bring it to the attention of the Member States of the CCAMLR.

The State Agency of Fisheries of Ukraine takes this opportunity to renew the assurance of its highest consideration to the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

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