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**TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION
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Members are advised that the catch of krill reported from Subarea 48.1 in 2009/10 (149 667 tonnes to 30 September 2010) is approaching the apportioned trigger level of 155 000 tonnes (Conservation Measure 51-07). Further, the monthly reporting requirement for this fishery (noting that paragraph 2 of Conservation Measure 23-03 does not apply to limits specified in Conservation Measure 51-07) together with the reported catch rates of krill, has resulted in the potential for the trigger level in Subarea 48.1 to be reached within the next monthly reporting period.

However, the vessels currently fishing for krill in Subarea 48.1 are voluntarily using the 5-day catch and effort reporting system. Therefore, Members are advised that the Secretariat is now monitoring the fishery using this reporting system, and the current forecast closure date for Subarea 48.1 is under review. A fishery closure notice will be issued to participating Members once the closure date has been finalised.

The current forecast closure date for the krill fishery in Subarea 48.1 is 13 October 2010.

Andrew Wright
Executive Secretary