

CONSERVATION MEASURE 137/XVI
New Longline Fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and
***Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Division 58.4.3**
in the 1997/98 Season

The Commission,

Welcoming the notification of South Africa of its intention to conduct a new longline fishery in Statistical Division 58.4.3 for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in the 1997/98 season,

adopts the following Conservation Measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 31/X:

1. Fishing for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Division 58.4.3 shall be limited to the new fishery by South Africa. The fishery shall be conducted by South African flagged vessels using longlining only.
2. The precautionary catch for Division 58.4.3 shall be limited to 1 782 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 60°S, to be taken by longline. In the event that this limit is reached, the longline fishery shall be closed.
3. For the purpose of this new longline fishery, the fishing season is defined as the period from 1 April until 31 August 1998.
4. The directed longline fishery for the above species shall be carried out in accordance with Conservation Measures 29/XVI and 133/XVI.
5. Each vessel participating in the new longline fishery will be required to operate a VMS¹ at all times.

¹ As described in Resolution 12/XVI.