CONSERVATION MEASURE 135/XVI New Fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 48.2 in the 1997/98 Season

The Commission,

<u>Welcoming</u> the notification of Chile of its intention to conduct a new fishery in Statistical Subarea 48.2 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 Subarea 48.2 shall be limited to the new fishery by Chile. The fishery shall be conducted by Chilean flagged vessels using longlining only.
- 2. The precautionary catch for Subarea 48.2 shall be limited to 429 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 60°S and 972 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. south of 60°S. In the event that these limits are reached, the fishery shall be closed.
- 3. For the purpose of this new fishery, the fishing season is defined as the period from 1 April until 31 August 1998¹.
- 4. The directed 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 fishery will be required to operate a VMS² at all times.
 - 1 However, a first prospective cruise will be carried out between 15 February and 31 March 1998.
 - 2 As described in Resolution 12/XVI.