

Agreed record of conclusions of coastal States' consultations on capelin in the East Greenland – Iceland – Jan Mayen area

Nuuk, 13 September 2016

A Norwegian delegation headed by Ann-Kristin Westberg, an Icelandic delegation headed by Jóhann Guðmundsson and a Greenlandic delegation headed by Emanuel Rosing met in Nuuk 13 September 2016 to consult on the management of the capelin stock in the East Greenland – Iceland – Jan Mayen area. The agenda and list of participants is enclosed as annex 1.

Report from the group on zonal attachment

The consultations concentrated on agenda items 3 and 6. The parties continued the discussions on the zonal report from Ålesund. The discussions, which did not lead to a common conclusion, included questions on the biomass growth obtained by the capelin in Greenlandic EEZ, and also on which surveys to be used and therefore on the relative distribution of the capelin in Icelandic, Greenlandic and Jan Mayen waters, respectively. The parties agreed that September surveys from 2010-2014 covered the majority of the stock, while the October-November surveys prior to 2010 only covered the Icelandic EEZ. However, there was some disagreement on whether any of the October-November surveys could be used when calculating the distribution among EEZs.

New management measures and sharing arrangement

The parties had a short exchange of views on the Greenlandic wish to renegotiate the present capelin agreement, and decided to continue the deliberations, including on the following technical modalities:

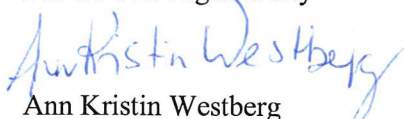
- different dates for end of fisheries
- zonal limitations
- unequal application of rules on punishment
- different rules to fishing coastal States' quota in Icelandic waters
- limitations on number of ships and production in Icelandic waters
- who can fish in Icelandic waters

The parties agreed to consider these items at the next meeting.

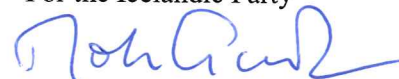
Next meeting

The parties agreed not to close the agenda, and to meet again to continue discussion on a new arrangement. Iceland will host the next meeting which will take place in late November 2016.

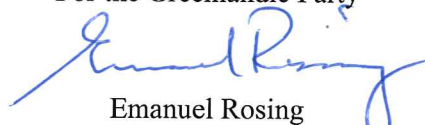
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Emanuel Rosing

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Adopted agenda

1. Opening and adoption of agenda
2. Introductory remarks
3. Report from the working group on zonal attachment
4. The capelin fisheries for the 2015/2016 season. Final catch statistics
5. Advice for the 2016/2017 season
6. Management measures and new allocation
7. Any other business

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