

CONSERVATION MEASURE 116/XV¹
New Fisheries for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni*
in Statistical Subareas 58.6, 58.7 and Statistical Division 58.4.4
in the 1996/97 Season

The Commission,

Welcoming the notification of South Africa of its intention to conduct new fisheries in Statistical Subareas 58.6, 58.7 and Division 58.4.4 for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni* in the 1996/97 season,

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

1. Fishing for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni* in Statistical Subareas 58.6, 58.7 and Division 58.4.4 shall be limited to the new fisheries by South Africa. These fisheries shall be conducted by longlining only.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 of Conservation Measure 112/XV, in Statistical Subareas 58.6 and 58.7 any new fishery for *Dissostichus* in the 1996/97 season shall be deemed to have demonstrated commercial potential if catches in the Statistical Subareas concerned reach 2 200 tonnes. In this event, the fishery shall be closed and the provisions of Conservation Measure 65/XII shall apply.
3. Fishing shall cease in Division 58.4.4 if commercial potential is demonstrated in accordance with the definition given in Conservation Measure 112/XV, paragraph 3.
4. For the purposes of these new fisheries, the fishing season is defined as the period from 1 March until 31 August 1997.
5. The directed fisheries for the above species shall be in accordance with Conservation Measures 112/XV and 117/XV except as foreseen in paragraph 2 above.

¹ Except for the waters adjacent to the Crozet Islands.