CONSERVATION MEASURE 164/XVII¹ New Longline Fisheries for *Dissostichus eleginoides* in Statistical Division 58.4.4 in the 1998/99 Season

The Commission,

Welcoming the notifications of France, South Africa, Spain and Uruguay of their intention to conduct new longline fisheries in Statistical Division 58.4.4 for *Dissostichus eleginoides* in the 1998/99 season,

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

- 1. Fishing for *Dissostichus eleginoides* in Statistical Division 58.4.4 shall be limited to the new longline fisheries by France, South Africa, Spain and Uruguay. The fisheries shall be conducted by French, South African, Spanish and Uruguayan flagged vessels using longlining only.
- 2. The precautionary catch for Statistical Division 58.4.4 shall be limited to 572 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 60°S, to be taken by longlining. In the event that this limit is reached, the fisheries shall be closed.
- 3. For the purpose of these new longline fisheries, the 1998/99 fishing season is defined as the period from 15 April to 31 August 1999.
- 4. The new longline fisheries for the above species shall be carried out in accordance with Conservation Measures 29/XVI and 161/XVII.
- 5. Each vessel participating in these new longline fisheries will be required to operate a VMS at all times, in accordance with Conservation Measure 148/XVII.
 - Except for waters adjacent to the Prince Edward Islands