CONSERVATION MEASURE 136/XVI New Fisheries for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 1997/98 Season

The Commission,

<u>Welcoming</u> the notification of Norway and South Africa of their intention to conduct new fisheries in Statistical Subarea 48.6 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 48.6 shall be limited to the new fisheries by Norway and South Africa. The fisheries shall be conducted by Norwegian and South African flagged vessels using longlining only.
- 2. The precautionary catch for Subarea 48.6 shall be limited to 888 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 65° S and 648 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. south of 65° S. In the event that these limits are reached, the fisheries shall be closed.
- 3. For the purpose of these new fisheries, the fishing season to the north of 60°S is defined as the period from 1 March until 31 August 1998. The fishing season south of 60°S is defined as the period from 15 February until 15 October 1998.
- 4. The directed fisheries 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 fisheries will be required to operate a VMS¹ at all times.
 - ¹ As described in Resolution 12/XVI.