CONSERVATION MEASURE 175/XVIII Limitation of the Total Catch of Champsocephalus gunnari in Statistical Subarea 48.3 in the 1999/2000 Season

The Commission hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 7/V:

- 1. The total catch of *Champsocephalusgunnari* in the 1999/2000 season shall be limited to 4 036 tonnes in Statistical Subarea 48.3.
- 2. The fishery for *Champsocephalus gunnari* in Statistical Subarea 48.3 shall close if the by-catch of any of the species listed in Conservation Measure 95/XIV reaches its by-catch limit or if the total catch of *Champsocephalus gunnari* reaches 4 036 tonnes, whichever is sooner.
- 3. If, in the course of the directed fishery for *Champsocephalus gunnari*, the by-catch in any one haul of any of the species named in Conservation Measure 95/XIV
 - is greater than 100 kg and exceeds 5% of the total catch of all fish by weight, or
 - is equal to or greater than 2 tonnes, then

the fishing vessel shall move to another location at least 5 n miles distant¹. The fishing vessel shall not return to any point within 5 n miles of the location where the by-catch of species named in Conservation Measure 95/XIV exceeded 5% for a period of at least five days². The location where the by-catch exceeded 5% is defined as the path followed by the fishing vessel from the point at which the fishing gear was first deployed from the fishing vessel to the point at which the fishing gear was retrieved by the fishing vessel.

4. Where any haul contains more than 100 kg of *Champsocephalusgunnari*, and more than 10% of the *Champsocephalus gunnari* by number are smaller than 240 mm total length, the fishing vessel shall move to another fishing location at least 5 n miles distant¹. The fishing vessel shall not return to any point within 5 n miles of the location where the catch of small *Champsocephalus gunnari* exceeded 10%, for a period of at least five days². The

location where the catch of small *Champsocephalusgunnari* exceeded 10% is defined as the path followed by the fishing vessel from the point at which the fishing gear was first deployed from the fishing vessel to the point at which the fishing gear was retrieved by the fishing vessel.

- 5. The use of bottom trawls in the directed fishery for *Champsocephalus gunnari* in Statistical Subarea 48.3 is prohibited.
- 6. The fishery for *Champsocephalus gunnari* in Statistical Subarea 48.3 shall be closed from 1 March to 31 May 2000.
- 7. Each vessel participating in the directed fishery for *Champsocephalus gunnari* in Statistical Subarea 48.3 in the 1999/2000 season shall have a scientific observer, appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period.
- 8. For the purpose of implementing paragraphs 1 and 2 of this conservation measure:
 - (i) the Five-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 51/XII shall apply in the 1999/2000 season; and
 - (ii) the Monthly Fine-scale Catch and Effort Data Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 122/XVI shall apply for *Champsocephalus gunnari*. Data shall be reported on a haul-by-haul basis.
- 9. Fine-scale biological data, as required under Conservation Measure 121/XVI shall be collected and recorded. Such data shall be reported in accordance with the Scheme of International Scientific Observation.

This provision concerning the minimum distance separating fishing locations is adopted pending the adoption of a more appropriate definition of a fishing location by the Commission.

The specified period is adopted in accordance with the reporting period specified in Conservation Measure 51/XII, pending the adoption of a more appropriate period by the Commission.