

CONSERVATION MEASURE 162/XVII
New Longline Fishery for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni*
in Statistical Subarea 48.6 in the 1998/99 Season

The Commission,

Welcoming the notification of South Africa of its intention to conduct a new longline fishery in Statistical Subarea 48.6 for *Dissostichus eleginoides* and *Dissostichus mawsoni* in the 1998/99 fishing season,

hereby 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 longline fishery by South Africa. The fishery shall be conducted by South African flagged vessels using longlining only.
2. The precautionary catch limit for this new longline fishery in Statistical Subarea 48.6 shall be limited to 707 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. north of 60°S, and 495 tonnes of *Dissostichus* spp. south of 60°S. In the event that either limit is reached, the relevant fishery shall be closed.
3. For the purpose of this new longline fishery, the 1998/99 fishing season to the north of 60°S is defined as the period from 1 March to 31 August 1999. The 1998/99 fishing season south of 60°S is defined as the period from 15 February to 15 October 1999.
4. The new longline fishery for the above species shall be carried out in accordance with Conservation Measures 29/XVI and 161/XVII.
5. Each vessel participating in this new longline fishery will be required to operate a VMS at all times, in accordance with Conservation Measure 148/XVII.