

1. **Joint Campaign Details**

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| Joint Deployment Plan | <i>Western Waters - 2023</i> | | |
| Joint Campaign | <i>JDP WW 2023-01</i> | | |
| Reporting period | <i>1st January to 30th September, 2023</i> | | |
| Participation | <i>Belgium (BE), Germany (DE), Denmark (DK), Spain (ES), Estonia (EE), France (FR), Ireland (IE), Lithuania (LT), Latvia (LV), The Netherlands (NL), Poland (PL) and Portugal (PT)</i> | | |
| Operational area | <i>EU waters of ICES 27.6, 27.7, 27.8, 27.9 and 27.10, and of CECAF 34.1 and 34.2</i> | | |
| EFCA Coordination Centre | MS | Number of experts | Number of weeks |
| | <i>IE</i> | <i>1</i> | <i>1</i> |

2. **General objective**

To ensure compliance with the requirements of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2376 of 22 September 2023 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1986 establishing specific control and inspection programmes for certain fisheries; and Regulation (EU) 2019/472 of the European Parliament and of the Council, by means of a coordinated programme of inspections of fishing vessels (FV) at sea and in ports of landing.

3. **Summary**

This report is covering the joint campaign activities in the WW JDP operational area for demersal species and for pelagic species. The report provides statistical information registered by the European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA) concerning the joint control activities that were carried out by air, sea and shore-based assets and teams of the participating Member States (MS) from the WW JDP.

The numbers presented in this report have been extracted from the EFCA database according to the activity submitted by the MS within the context of the WW JDP. Only those data that meet certain quality criteria are recorded in the EFCA database. These data are provisional and are kept under continuous review. The extraction of data was done on 2nd November 2023, for the WW related events, patrols, and targets.

a) **Inspections ashore**

During this reporting period there were 2591 inspections carried out ashore, including 21 transport inspections to trucks and 4 to businesses premises. The inspection teams reported in total 171 suspected infringements related to fishing vessels and 1 to a truck. No suspected infringements were detected during businesses inspections.

b) Inspections at sea

During the reporting period there were 483 inspections carried out at sea with 71 suspected infringements reported.

c) Aircraft surveillance

In total, MS reported 583 air sightings with 3 suspected infringements detected during the surveillance flights carried out in this period.



ANNEX I

JDP-WW ACTIVITY RECORDS FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD ¹

A. DEPLOYED CONTROL MEANS

| MS/EFCA | FPV | | Aircraft | Exchanges of Inspectors | | | |
|--------------|------------------------|---|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | Days at sea | | No. of Flights | Joint Teams at sea | | Mixed Teams ashore | |
| | JDP committed sea days | Other patrols sea days (sea days with events ²) | | Man-days Deployed | Man-days Hosted | Man-days Deployed | Man-days Hosted |
| MS | 194 | 74 | 73 | 561 | | 25 | 25 |
| EFCA | 299 | | 4 | | 561 | | |
| TOTAL | 493 | 74 | 77 | 561 | 561 | 25 | 25 |

B. JOINT CONTROL ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY PARTICIPATING MS

| | DESCRIPTION | TOTAL |
|--------------|--|-------|
| SURVEILLANCE | Sightings reported by aircraft | 583 |
| | Sightings reported by fisheries patrol vessels | 498 |
| | Sightings with suspected infringements | 3 |
| BUSINESS | Inspections | 4 |
| | Inspections with suspected infringements | 0 |
| | Total of suspected infringements | 0 |
| | Inspections of targets | 0 |
| TRANSPORT | Inspections | 21 |
| | Inspections with suspected infringements | 1 |
| | Total of suspected infringements | 1 |
| | Inspections of targets | 0 |
| LAND | Inspections | 2566 |
| | Inspections with suspected infringements | 135 |
| | % of inspections with infringements | 5.2 |

¹ As per WW JDP global planning

² The sea-days information is provided on a basis of the count of the total sea-days with at least one event (sighting, inspection) reported by patrol vessels not committed to the JDP during the reporting period.

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| | Total of suspected infringements | 171 |
| | Inspections of targets | 585 |
| | Inspections of targets with suspected infringements | 34 |
| SEA | Inspections | 483 |
| | Inspections with suspected infringements | 52 |
| | % of inspections with infringements | 10.7 |
| | Total of suspected infringements | 68 |
| | Inspections of targets | 105 |
| | Inspections of targets with suspected infringements | 6 |

C. TYPE OF INFRINGEMENTS DETECTED DURING THE JOINT CONTROL OPERATIONS

| Suspected Infringement Category | | TOTAL |
|---|--|--------------|
| Non-compliance with the Landing Obligation and associated misreporting | Not recorded, misrecorded or not reported catch of fish below minimum legal size/weight in the catch declaration | 1 |
| | Not recorded, misrecorded, not reported of discards declaration | 3 |
| Non-compliance with conservation measures | Fishing without valid authorisation / licence | 4 |
| | Fishing without a quota or after attainment of catch limit | 16 |
| | Other SI related with fishing seasons, closed areas or fishing prohibition | 2 |
| | Fishing of prohibited species /stock | 2 |
| | Fishing in closed area/period/depth | 5 |
| | Non-compliant gear | 19 |
| | Prohibited or unauthorised fishing method | 1 |
| | Absence or non-conformity with fishing gear / device identification | 4 |
| | Other SI related with gear | 1 |
| | Catch retained on board, landed, stored, or transported fish that should have been discarded at sea | 3 |
| | Catch retain on board, land, store, or transport of fish below MCRS not subject to LO | 6 |
| | Catch not stowed according to rules | 9 |
| | Not equipped or not operational VMS | 3 |
| Not equipped or not operational AIS | 7 | |
| Non-compliance | Not equipped or not operational e-logbook | 3 |
| | Not onboard or not updated paper logbook | 3 |

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| with the recording and reporting obligations | Not recorded, misrecorded, not reported or not reported in due time the departure declaration | 1 |
| | Not notified, not notified on time, incorrect notification of entry or exit in/from zone | 1 |
| | Not recorded, misrecorded, not reported or not reported in due time of fishing operation declaration | 4 |
| | Not recorded, misrecorded, not reported or not reported in due time of catch declaration | 16 |
| | Difference between catch reported and landing exceeding the legal margin of tolerance | 60 |
| | Not submitted, not submitted on time or submitted incorrectly the PNO | 12 |
| | Not recorded, misrecorded, not reported or not reported in due time the landing declaration | 8 |
| | Absence or Incorrect stowage plan | 8 |
| | Absence or incorrect production logbook | 1 |
| | Other SI related with fishing vessel recording and reporting obligations operations | 6 |
| | Other types of non-compliance | Other SI related with authorisations and certification requirements |
| Failure to facilitate safe access of inspectors | | 9 |
| Obstruction to work of inspectors | | 11 |
| Destroying evidence, interfering with evidence, concealing evidence | | 2 |
| Other SI not included in other categories | | 2 |
| Absence or incorrect weighing of catches at landing | | 7 |
| Entrance and/or landing without prior authorisation (Landing Authorisation) | | 1 |
| Other SI related with vessel activity monitoring rules | | 1 |
| Total | | 246 |