# 2007 discharge: Community Fisheries Control Agency CFCA

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PURPOSE: to present the final accounts of the Community Fisheries Control Agency for the financial year 2007.

CONTENT: this document sets out a detailed account of the implementation of the Community Fisheries Control Agency's budget for the financial year 2007. It notes that the final budget amounts to EUR 5 million (the Agency's first year).

As regards the staffing policy, the Agency, whose head office is in Brussels (Belgium), officially set out 38 posts in its establishment plan (including 17 temporary agents – note that recruitment slowed down in anticipation of the relocation to Vigo in early 2008 and 8 other posts (contract staff).

In 2007, the Agency launched its first operational activities in three areas in accordance with the 2007 Work Programme and prepared for operational activities in two more areas:

- **North Sea and adjacent waters**: on the basis of the existing cooperation between some Member States (the so called operations 'Shark' and 'Saint Pierre'), in 2007, the CFCA elaborated a Joint Deployment Plan (JDP) together with the Member States surrounding the North Sea;
- **NAFO Regulatory Area (RA)**: the CFCA ensured throughout 2007 the coordination of inspection and surveillance in the NAFO RA under the NAFO Conservation and Enforcement Measures (CEM) by (NAFO) Community Inspectors, with the presence of one CFCA Coordinator on board the EU-inspection vessel in the NAFO RA chartered by the Commission;
- **Baltic Sea**: between May and December 2007, six joint inspection and surveillance campaigns coordinated by the CFCA were carried out. The JISS campaigns were set up in the same way as the ones in the North Sea and each campaign was coordinated by one of the coordination centres of the Member State concerned, with a CFCA coordinator present in the centre in question;
- **Bluefin tuna**: in 2007 the CFCA started the preparatory work for the coordination of control, inspection and surveillance activities by Member States;
- **IUU**: pending the adoption of new legislation, some preparatory work has been started.

The complete version of the final accounts may be found at the following address:

http://www.cfca.europa.eu/organisation/CFCA_Final_Accounts_2007.pdf