

Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries 1978: amendments

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PURPOSE: to approve the Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries.

ACT: Council Decision 2010/717/EU on the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of the Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (International Agreement).

CONTENT: the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, was signed in Ottawa on 24 October 1978 and entered into force on 1 January 1979, thereby establishing the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO).

The General Council of NAFO adopted the Amendment to the Convention at its Annual Meetings in 2007 and 2008. The Amendment revises many aspects of the Convention with the primary purpose of bringing it more into line with other more recent regional conventions and international instruments within the field of fisheries and incorporating modern concepts of fisheries management.

The Amendment contributes to the fulfilment by the Union of its international obligations in relation to sustainable fisheries as well as to furthering the objectives of the Treaty.

Under this Decision, the Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in Northwest Atlantic Fisheries is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 08/11/2010.