Fishing activities in the Antarctic: conservation and control measures

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The committee adopted the report by Mrs Patricia McKENNA (V, Irl) on certain conservation and control measures applicable to fishing activities in the Antarctic. The report reiterates the importance of the role of and the measures taken by the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR). However, it stresses the serious risks caused by illegal fishing in this vast expanse and the difficulties of controlling activities and calls on the member countries of the CCAMLR to make provision for an international programme of observers which could complement the control action carried out by the CCAMLR.