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ANNEX

Annexes VI and VII are amended as follows:

(1) Annex VI is amended as follows:

(a) Part A is amended as follows:

(i) the nineteenth entry of the table is replaced by the following:

‘Red seabream (<i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>)	36 cm (*) (**)
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(*) This minimum conservation reference size shall apply to ICES subareas 6 and 7 until 31 December 2027. The minimum conservation reference size of 33 cm shall apply to ICES subarea 5.

(**) In the absence of new rules adopted before 31 December 2027, as of 1 January 2028 the applicable minimum conservation reference size shall be 33 cm.’;

(ii) point 1 below the table is replaced by the following:

‘1. The minimum conservation reference sizes specified in this Part for cod (*Gadus morhua*), haddock (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*), saithe (*Pollachius virens*), pollack (*Pollachius pollachius*), hake (*Merluccius merluccius*), megrim (*Lepidorhombus* spp.), sole (*Solea* spp.), plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*), whiting (*Merlangius merlangus*), ling (*Molva molva*), blue ling (*Molva dypterygia*), mackerel (*Scomber* spp.), herring (*Clupea harengus*), horse mackerel (*Trachurus* spp.), anchovy (*Engraulis encrasicolus*), bass (*Dicentrarchus labrax*) and sardine (*Sardina pilchardus*) shall apply to recreational fisheries in the North Western Waters. However, for red seabream (*Pagellus bogaraveo*), the minimum conservation reference size of 40 cm shall apply to recreational fisheries in ICES subareas 6 and 7 until 31 December 2027 (*).

(*) In the absence of new rules adopted before 31 December 2027, as of 1 January 2028 the applicable minimum conservation reference size for red seabream shall be 33 cm.’;

(b) in Part C, point 12 is replaced by the following:

‘12. Closed areas for the conservation of red seabream in ICES subareas 6 and 7

12.1. From 1 January to 30 June 2027, all fishing for red seabream in ICES subareas 6 and 7 shall be prohibited to vessels flying the French flag.’;

(2) Annex VII is amended as follows:

(a) in Part A, the twentieth entry of the table is replaced by the following:

‘Red seabream (<i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>)	36 cm (*) (**)
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(*) This minimum conservation reference size shall apply to ICES subarea 8 until 31 December 2027. The minimum conservation reference size of 33 cm shall apply to ICES subareas 9 and 10 and CECAF zones 34.1.1, 34.1.2 and 34.2.0.

(**) In the absence of new rules adopted before 31 December 2027, as of 1 January 2028 the applicable minimum conservation reference size shall be 33 cm.’;

(b) in Part C, point 5.4 is replaced by the following:

‘5.4. The measures in points 5.1 to 5.3 shall apply until 31 December 2027.’