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PART A

Annex IA to Regulation (EU) 2021/XXX[1] is amended as follows:

(a) Fishing opportunities table for whiting in 7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k is replaced by the following:

Species:	Whiting *Merlangius merlangus*		Zone:	7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 7j and 7k (WHG/7X7A-C)
Belgium	37		Analytical TAC	
France	2 258		Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	1 629			
The Netherlands	18			
Union	3 942			
United Kingdom	404			
TAC	4 346			

(b) Fishing opportunities table for blue whiting in Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 is replaced by the following:

Species:	Blue whiting *Micromesistius poutassou*		Zone:	Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/1X14)
Denmark	34 892	(1)	Analytical TAC	
Germany	13 566	(1)	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Spain	29 581	(1) (2)	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
France	24 282	(1)		
Ireland	27 019	(1)		
The Netherlands	42 546	(1)		
Portugal	2 748	(1) (2)		
Sweden	8 631	(1)		
Union	183 265	(1) (3)		
Norway	69 930			
Faroe Islands	7 000			
United Kingdom	45 274	(1)		

[1] COM(2020)668 Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION fixing for 2021 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters

TAC	Not relevant	

(1) Special condition: within a total access limit of 24 375 tonnes for the Union, Member States may fish up to the following percentage of their quotas in Faroese waters (WHB/*05-F.): 14,3%

(2) Transfers of this quota may be effected to 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1. However, such transfers shall be notified in advance to the Commission.

(3) Special condition: from the EU quotas in Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/*NZJM1) and in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/*NZJM2), the following quantity may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen:

133 566

(c) Fishing opportunities table for blue whiting in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 is replaced by the following:

Species:	Blue whiting *Micromesistius poutassou*		Zone:	8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/8C3411)
Spain	25 065		Analytical TAC	
Portugal	6 266		Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	31 331	(1)	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
TAC	Not relevant			

(1) Special condition: from the EU quotas in Union and international waters of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8a, 8b, 8d, 8e, 12 and 14 (WHB/*NZJM1) and in 8c, 9 and 10; Union waters of CECAF 34.1.1 (WHB/*NZJM2), the following quantity may be fished in the Norwegian Economic Zone or in the fishery zone around Jan Mayen:

133 566

(d) Fishing opportunities table for blue whiting in Union waters of 2, 4a, 5, 6 north of 56° 30' N and 7 west of 12° W is replaced by the following:

Species:	Blue whiting *Micromesistius poutassou*		Zone:	Union waters of 2, 4a, 5, 6 north of 56° 30' N and 7 west of 12° W (WHB/24A567)
Norway	133 566	(1) (2)	Analytical TAC	
Faroe Islands	26 250	(3) (4)	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
			Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
TAC	Not relevant			

(1) To be counted against quota established by Norway.

(2) Special condition: the catch in 4a shall be no more than the following amount (WHB/*04A-C):

28 000

This catch restriction in 4a amounts to the following percentage of Norway's access limit:

18%

(3) To be counted against the quota established by the Faroe Islands.

(4) Special conditions: may also be fished in 6b (WHB/*06B-C). The catch in 4a shall be no more than the following amount (WHB/*04A-C):

6 563

(e) Fishing opportunities table for Norway lobster in 7 is replaced by the following:

Species:	Norway lobster *Nephrops norvegicus*		Zone:	7 (NEP/07.)
Spain	252	(1)	Analytical TAC	
France	1 022	(1)	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
Ireland	1 550	(1)		
Union	2 824	(1)		
United Kingdom	1 379	(1)		
TAC	4 203	(1)		

(1) Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zone:

Functional Unit 16 of ICES Subarea 7 (NEP/*07U16):	
Spain	437
France	274
Ireland	526
Union	1 237
United Kingdom	213

(f) Fishing opportunities table for plaice in 7d and 7e is replaced by the following:

Species:	Plaice *Pleuronectes platessa*	Zone:	7d and 7e (PLE/7DE.)
Belgium	674	Analytical TAC	
France	2 247	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	2 921	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
United Kingdom	1 198		
TAC	4 119		

(g) Fishing opportunities table for undulate ray in Union waters of 7d and 7e is replaced by the following:

Species:	Undulate ray *Raja undulata*		Zone:	7d and 7e (RJU/7DE.)
Belgium	13	(1)	Precautionary TAC	
Estonia	0	(1)	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
France	63	(1)		
Germany	0	(1)		
Ireland	16	(1)		

Lithuania	0	(1)
The Netherlands	0	(1)
Portugal	0	(1)
Spain	14	(1)
Union	106	(1)
United Kingdom	35	(1)
TAC	141	(1)

(1) This species shall not be targeted in the areas covered by this TAC. This species may only be landed whole or gutted. The former provisions are without prejudice to the prohibitions set out in Articles 13 and 48 of this Regulation for the areas specified therein.

(h) Fishing opportunities table for common sole in 7d is replaced by the following:

Species:	Common sole *Solea solea*	Zone:	7d (SOL/07D.)
Belgium	301	Precautionary TAC	
France	602	Article 7(2) of this Regulation applies	
Union	903	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
United Kingdom	215		
TAC	1 118		

PART B

Annex IB to Regulation (EU) 2021/XXX is amended as follows:

(a) Fishing opportunities table for herring in Union, Faroese, Norwegian and international waters of 1 and 2 is replaced by the following:

Species:	Herring *Clupea harengus*		Zone:	Union, Faroese, Norwegian and international waters of 1 and 2 (HER/1/2-)
Belgium	10	(1)	Analytical TAC	
Denmark	9 965	(1)	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
Germany	1 745	(1)		
Spain	33	(1)		
France	430	(1)		
Ireland	2 580	(1)		
The Netherlands	3 566	(1)		
Poland	504	(1)		
Portugal	33	(1)		
Finland	154	(1)		
Sweden	3 692	(1)		
Union	22 713	(1)		

United Kingdom	6 371	(1)
Faroe Islands	5 950	(2)(3)
Norway	26 175	(2)(4)
TAC	446 755	

(1) When reporting catches to the Commission the quantities fished in each of the following areas shall also be reported: NEAFC Regulatory Area and Union waters.

(2) May be fished in Union waters north of 62° N.

(3) To be counted against the catch limits of the Faroe Islands.

(4) To be counted against the catch limits of Norway.

Special condition: within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the following zones:

Norwegian waters north of 62° N and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen (HER/*2AJMN)

	26 175	

2, 5b north of 62° N (Faroese waters) (HER/*25B-F)

Belgium	2	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies
Denmark	2 040	
Germany	357	
Spain	7	
France	88	
Ireland	528	
The Netherlands	729	
Poland	103	
Portugal	7	
Finland	31	
Sweden	756	
United Kingdom	1 303	

(b) Fishing opportunities table for cod in Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 is replaced by the following:

Species:	Cod *Gadus morhua*	Zone:	Norwegian waters of 1 and 2 (COD/1N2AB.)
Germany	1 300	Analytical TAC	
Greece	161	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Spain	1 450	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Ireland	161	Article 6a(1) of this Regulation applies	
France	1 194		
Portugal	1 450		
Union	5 716		
United Kingdom	5 044		
TAC	Not relevant		