

2.3.3.4 In order to allow the Contracting Parties to formulate an adaptive management plan for pelagic redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters, as advised by ICES, NEAFC will request ICES to provide potential elements in such a plan, including possible candidates for reference points

Background to request

The objective of any future management plan shall be to establish such levels of catches and fishing effort which will result in the sustainable exploitation of pelagic redfish in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters.

This management plan should take due account of any recent improvements in scientific knowledge on stock entities as referred from the ICES review in the beginning of 2009.

ICES response

NEAFC has been informed that the ICES response to this request will be available during the autumn of 2009 after ICES has held a workshop to deal with this issue.