

**AMENDMENT TO THE CONVENTION
ON FUTURE MULTILATERAL COOPERATION
IN THE NORTHWEST ATLANTIC FISHERIES**

The Contracting Parties to the *Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries* (hereinafter "Convention") have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The title of the Convention shall be amended to read as follows:

"Convention on Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries"

ARTICLE 2

The Preamble of the Convention shall be deleted and replaced by the following new Preamble:

"The Contracting Parties,

NOTING that the coastal States of the Northwest Atlantic have established exclusive economic zones consistent with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 and customary international law, within which they exercise sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring and exploiting, conserving and managing living resources;

RECALLING the relevant provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks of 4 August 1995, and the FAO Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas of 24 November 1993;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries adopted by the 28th Session of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on 31 October 1995 and related instruments adopted by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

RECOGNIZING the economic and social benefits deriving from the sustainable use of fishery resources;