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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/833 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation, amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2115/2005 and (EC) No 1386/2007[(1)], and in particular Article 50(1)thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The Union is party to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (the NAFO Convention), approved by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3179/78[(2)].

(2) The European Parliament and the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2019/833 in order to incorporate the NAFO conservation and enforcement measures in Union law.

(3) Article 50 of Regulation (EU) 2019/833 requires the Commission to adopt a delegated act to supplement it with the provisions of and Annexes to the NAFO conservation and enforcement measures referred to in the Annex to that Regulation.

(4) Article 50 of Regulation (EU) 2019/833 also empowers the Commission to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 51 to subsequently amend that delegated act.

(5) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/124[(3)] supplemented Regulation (EU) 2019/833 with a number of NAFO conservation and enforcement measures.

(6) The NAFO at its annual meeting in September 2019 amended nine annexes of its conservation and enforcement measures, related to the list of Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems (VME) indicator species (Part VI of Annex I.E), the vessel notification and authorisation formats (Annex II.C), the list of species (Annex I.C), the authorised topside chafers/shrimp toggle chains (Annex III.B), the format of the catch report (Annex II.D), the format of the cancellation catch report (Annex II.F), the standardised observer report template (Annex II.M), the observer report (Annex II.G), the inspection report (Annex IV.B). These annexes become binding on the Union on 3 December 2019.

(7) These changes should also be incorporated into Union law. Therefore, Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/124 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/124 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 April 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

The Annex to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/124 is amended as follows:

1. Point 3 is replaced by the following:

(3) Part VI of Annex I.E to the CEM as referred to in point 21 of Article 3, in Article 21(2) and in point (i) of point (a) of Article 27(11) of Regulation (EU) 2019/833

List of VME Indicator Species

Common Name and FAO ASFIS 3- ALPHA CODE	Taxon	Family	FAO ASFIS 3-ALPHA CODE
Large-Sized Sponges (PFR – Porifera)	*Asconema foliatum*	Rossellidae	ZBA
	Aphrocallistes beatrix	Aphrocallistidae	
	Asbestopluma (Asbestopluma) ruetzleri	Cladorhizidae	ZAB (Asbestopluma)
	Axinella sp.	Axinellidae	
	Chondrocladia grandis	Cladorhizidae	ZHD (Chondrocladia)
	Cladorhiza abyssicola	Cladorhizidae	ZCH (Cladorhiza)
	Cladorhiza kenchingtonae	Cladorhizidae	ZCH (Cladorhiza)
	Craniella spp.	Tetillidae	ZCS (Craniella spp.)
	Dictyaulus romani	Euplectellidae	ZDY (Dictyaulus)
	Esperiopsis villosa	Esperiopsidae	ZEW
	Forcepia spp.	Coelosphaeridae	ZFR
	Geodia barrette	Geodiidae	
	Geodia macandrewii	Geodiidae	
	Geodia parva	Geodiidae	
	Geodia phlegraei	Geodiidae	
	Haliclona sp.	Chalinidae	ZHL
	Iophon piceum	Acarnidae	WJP
	Isodictya palmata	Isodictyidae	

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/989. (See end of Document for details)*

	Lissodendoryx (Lissodendoryx) complicata	Coelosphaeridae	ZDD
	Mycale (Mycale) lingua	Mycalidae	
	Mycale (Mycale) loveni	Mycalidae	
	Phakellia sp.	Axinellidae	
	Polymastia spp.	Polymastiidae	ZPY
	Stelletta normani	Ancorinidae	WSX (Stelletta)
	Stelletta tuberosa	Ancorinidae	WSX (Stelletta)
	Stryphnus fortis	Ancorinidae	WPH
	Thenea muricata	Pachastrellidae	ZTH (Thenea)
	Thenea valdiviae	Pachastrellidae	ZTH (Thenea)
	Weberella bursa	Polymastiidae	
Stony Corals (CSS – Scleractinia)	*Enallopsammia rostrata**	Dendrophylliidae	FEY
	*Lophelia pertusa**	Caryophylliidae	LWS
	*Madrepora oculata**	Oculinidae	MVI
	*Solenosmilia variabilis**	Caryophylliidae	RZT
Small Gorgonians (GGW)	*Acanella arbuscula*	Isididae	KQL (Acanella)
	Anthothela grandiflora	Anthothelidae	WAG
	Chrysogorgia sp.	Chrysogorgiidae	FHX
	*Metallogorgia melanotrichos**	Chrysogorgiidae	
	Narella laxa	Primnoidae	
	Radicipes gracilis	Chrysogorgiidae	CZN
	Swiftia sp.	Plexauridae	
Large Gorgonians (GGW)	*Acanthogorgia armata*	Acanthogorgiidae	AZC
	Calyptrophora sp.*	Primnoidae	

	Corallium bathyrubrum	Coralliidae	COR (Corallium)
	Corallium bayeri	Coralliidae	COR (Corallium)
	Iridogorgia sp.*	Chrysogorgiidae	
	Keratoisis cf. *siemensii*	Isididae	
	Keratoisis grayi	Isididae	
	Lepidisis sp.*	Isididae	QFX (Lepidisis)
	Paragorgia arborea	Paragorgiidae	BFU
	Paragorgia johnsoni	Paragorgiidae	BFV
	Paramuricea grandis	Plexauridae	PZL (Paramuricea)
	Paramuricea placomus	Plexauridae	PZL (Paramuricea)
	Paramuricea spp.	Plexauridae	PZL (Paramuricea)
	Parastenella atlantica	Primnoidae	
	Placogorgia sp.	Plexauridae	
	Placogorgia terceira	Plexauridae	
	Primnoa resedaeformis	Primnoidae	QOE
	*Thouarella (Euthouarella) grasshoffi**	Primnoidae	
Sea Pens (NTW – Pennatulacea)	*Anthoptilum grandiflorum*	Anthoptilidae	AJG (Anthoptilum)
	Distichoptilum gracile	Protoptilidae	WDG
	Funiculina quadrangularis	Funiculinidae	FQJ
	Halipteris cf. *christii*	Halipteridae	ZHX (Halipteris)
	Halipteris finmarchica	Halipteridae	HFM
	Halipteris sp.	Halipteridae	ZHX (Halipteris)