

**QUESTIONNAIRE to be used for biennial reporting
on the application of the IUU Regulation**

Reporting period 2022-2023 (deadline for submission 30 April 2024)

Member State:	Denmark
Organisation:	<i>The Danish Fisheries Agency</i> <i>The Danish Veterinary and Food Administration</i>
Date:	<i>25. April 2024.</i>
Name, position and contact details of responsible official:	[Redacted]

May the Commission provide a copy of this questionnaire to other Member States?	
Yes:	<i>DFA & DVFA</i> <i>X</i>
Yes except for questions (list):	
No:	
May the Commission provide a copy of this questionnaire to the European Fisheries Control Agency for a horizontal assessment¹?	
Yes:	<i>DFA & DVFA</i> <i>X</i>
Yes except for questions (list):	
No:	

¹ This assessment is for internal use of the Commission. EFCA will present to Member States a summary of this assessment in the EFCA's Plenary and Steering Group meeting.

Please check if your notified authorities under the IUU Regulation (Articles 15(2), 17(8) and 21(3)) correspond with the latest version of the Official Journal:

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52022XC0408%2802%29&qid=1701963740421>

If not, please provide the updated notification to DG MARE through the Functional mailbox: MARE-NOTIFICATIONS-IUU-1005-2008@ec.europa.eu

Please state your notified authorities under the IUU Regulation in accordance with Article 39(4) (nationals):

The Danish Fisheries Agency (DFA)

Section 1. Information on legal framework²

Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, has your country adopted/modified national law or any administrative guides for the application of any of the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 on illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU Regulation)?

Yes No

If yes, please detail and provide copies or provide link to the official national database.

DVFA has made minor modifications in our administrative guides for the DVFA IUU control. The updated version is attached as a pdf and is covered by the exceptions indicated in Article 4(2)(third indent) of the Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2001/1049/oj>).

DFA. We have the following guidelines for our employees who work with IUU Regulation:

- *ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL AT FMC
ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED AND UNREGULATED FISHING (IUU) DANISH
LANDINGS IN 3RD COUNTRIES*
- *INSPECTION OF IUU/NEAFC LANDING*

Both are covered by the exceptions indicated in Article 4(2)(third indent) of the Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2001/1049/oj>).

Section 2. Information on administrative organisation³

2.1. Please provide information on your administrative organisation for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 on illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU Regulation), in particular as regards:

- port inspections (Chapter II); DFA
- catch certification scheme (Chapter III); DVFA
- nationals (Chapter VIII). DFA

When providing the above requested information, please specify if different authorities/services are involved in the implementation of the IUU Regulation for:

² This section 1 is to be filled-in by all Member States i.e. coastal and landlocked Member States.

³ This section 2 is to be filled-in by all Member States i.e. coastal and landlocked Member States.

- *The control of the access and use of ports, including for landings and transshipments, of third country fishing vessels in accordance with Chapter II of the IUU Regulation; **DFA***
- *Checks and verifications of catch certificates for fishery products arriving on board of third country fishing vessels at designated ports; **DFA***
- *Checks and verifications of catch certificates for imports of consignments with fishery products arriving by other means than fishing vessels (e.g. by containers, planes, trucks); **DVFA***
- *Validation of catch certificates for exports; **DFA***
- *Validation and verifications of re-exports; **DVFA***

In addition (if different authorities/services are involved), please explain and describe:

- vertical co-operation (between local/regional authorities and their headquarters/central authorities);*
- horizontal co-operation between different authorities and allocation of tasks for various authorities in the implementation of the IUU Regulation (Fisheries, Health, Customs, Coast Guard, Navy, etc.).*

a) DVFA

- *Single Liaison Officer situated in the International Trade Division deals with:*
 - *Requests for verification to Flag State authorities*
 - *Mutual assistance requests from the Commission and other Member States*
 - *Issuance of administrative guidelines to the IUU control staff at the veterinary border inspection posts and to importers*
 - *Training of staff*
 - *Contact to the Commission and to the Member States*
- *Danish IUU control situated on the border inspection posts:*
 - *Import IUU control (documentary, identity and physical checks)*
 - *Re-export control (documentary checks)*
 - *Issuing of processing statements and storage documents for UK (and Japan in future).*

b) DFA and DVFA have established a written procedure describing the co-operation for the implementation of 1005/2008. DVFA and DFA cooperates also ad hoc basis on specific cases, preparations of meetings, reports etc. The written agreement is attached as a pdf and is covered by the exceptions indicated in Article 4(2)(third indent) of the Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2001/1049/oj>).

Cooperation between DVFA and the Danish Customs Service: There is both central and regional co-operation with the Customs Services.

DVFA is responsible for the official control at the border inspection posts and there is therefore very close cooperation between the IUU control and the border control. DVFA Single Liaison officers are also responsible for the official control at the Danish border control posts.

If written agreements on cooperation between different authorities/services have been concluded, please provide copies.

When providing the above requested information, if there were any changes in the administrative organisation since the previous reporting period (2020-2021), please underline those changes.

2.2. How many officials are involved in the implementation of the catch certification scheme?

Please specify the number of officials expressed in Full Time Equivalent (FTE); please specify which authority they belong to:

- for checks and verifications in accordance with Articles 16 and 17 of the IUU Regulation;
- for validation of catch certificates for exports and of re-export certificates in accordance with Articles 15(2) and 21(3) of the IUU Regulation.

Article 16, 17 and 21.3:

DVFA: Import and re-export control,

2022: 8,79 FTE (divided on 20 persons)

2023: 9,34 FTE (divided on 20 persons)

DFA: 2022-2023: The Fisheries Monitoring Center (FMC); we have 9.5 full-time employees to deal with IUU. Regulation.

2.3. Does your country have freezones/freeports⁴ in which activities relevant to importation/exportation/processing of fishery products are authorised?

Yes No

If yes, please provide a list of such zones/ports.

Section 3. Information on access to ports, including for landings and transshipments of fishery products, by third country fishing vessels⁵ (and information on related port inspections and confirmed infringements)⁶

3.1. Does your country have designated ports for access to port services or landings or transhipment of fishery products by third country fishing vessels (Article 5 of the IUU Regulation⁷)? *DFA*

Yes *X* No

If yes, please check if your list of designated ports in accordance with Article 5(3) corresponds to the latest version of the Office Journal:

DFA: Landings may only be made from 3rd country vessels in the following approved ports:

- *Aalborg, Aarhus, Esbjerg, Fredericia,*
- *Frederikshavn 1,2 and 3, Hanstholm, Hirtshals, Hvide Sande1,2 and 3, København, Skagen, Strandby 1,2 and 3 og Thyborøn 1, 2 and 3.*

1. not an EU border control post

2. landing and transshipment of fresh fish and fish products is permitted

3. landing and transshipment of frozen fish and fish products is not permitted.

However, does not include vessels from the Faroe Islands, Iceland and Norway

⁴ https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/business/customs-procedures/what-is-importation/free-zones_en

⁵ Fishing vessels as defined in article 2(5) of the IUU Regulation.

⁶ This section 3 refers to Chapter II (Articles 4 to 11) of the IUU Regulation and is applicable to coastal Member States. Landlocked Member States should not fill in this section.

⁷ Please note that ports designated under Regional Fisheries Management Organisations must also be designated under the IUU Regulation with restrictions if necessary (species, etc.).

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3.2. In years 2022 and 2023 respectively, how many times have third country fishing vessels been granted authorisation to access designated ports in your country only for repair/maintenance/supply?⁸

DFA from 2022 we have registered the following:

- Greenland: 1.
- Norway: 210
- United Kingdom: 39

From 2023 we have registered the following:

- Norway: 104
- United Kingdom: 47

3.3. How many landings and transshipments in designated ports by third country fishing vessels have been recorded by your country between 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? How many inspections did your country carry out and how many infringements have been detected?

Please fill-in the table below (2022):

Inspections of third country fishing vessels in Member States ports (2022)								
Type of operation	Vessels	Figures (2022)	Flag of the third country vessel(s) ⁹					Total
			Example: IS	FO	GB	GL	IS	
Landings	Third country vessels using MS designated ports	Number of landings	100	7	206	10	2	509
		Number of inspections	10	0	12	0	1	26
		% of inspections / landings	10%	0%	6%	0%	50%	5%
		Number of infringements	3	0	2	0	0	6
Transshipments	Third country vessels using MS designated ports	Number of transshipments in ports	2	0	0	0	0	0
		Number of inspections	0	0	0	0	0	0
		% of inspections / transshipments	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Number of infringements	0	0	0	0	0	0

⁸ It is reminded that provisions of Chapter II apply to third country fishing vessels aiming to access EU ports for port services, even in cases where they do not carry fishery products on board and therefore no landing or transshipment operation is foreseen. Third country fishing vessels shall only access ports designated in accordance with Article 5.

⁹ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Please fill-in the table below (2023):

Inspections of third country fishing vessels in Member States ports (2023)									
Type of operation	Vessels	Figures (2023)	Flag of the third country vessel(s) ¹⁰						
			Example: IS	FO	GB	GL	NO	IS	Total
Landings	Third country vessels using MS designated ports	Number of landings	100	20	206	14	283	3	523
		Number of inspections	10	3	7	1	13	0	24
		% of inspections / landings	10%	15%	3%	7%	5%	0%	5%
		Number of infringements	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transshipments	Third country vessels using MS designated ports	Number of transshipments in ports	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Number of inspections	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
		% of inspections / transshipments	100%	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Number of infringements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

3.4. From the figures above, in the cases where your country detected infringements concerning third country fishing vessels, please specify for each infringement the flag, the vessel's name, the type of infringement and the measures taken / sanction imposed (Article 11 of the IUU Regulation).

Please fill-in the table below (2022):

Flag of the third country vessel ¹¹	Name of the third country vessel	Type of infringements	Measures taken
GB		1005/2008 of 29-09-2008 art. 6, 1b & f	Fine
		1005/2008 of 29-09-2008 art. 6	Fine
NO		1005/2008 of 29-09-2008 art. 6 1b & f	Fine
		Art. 6 i RFO 1005/2008 af 29. september 2008 d	Fine

Please fill-in the table below (2023): (DFA NIL)

¹⁰ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

¹¹ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Flag of the third country vessel ¹²	Name of the third country vessel	Type of infringements	Measures taken
FS1			
FS2			
...			
FSx			

3.5. Please provide:

- the quantities of fish landed by third countries' fishing vessels in your designated ports in 2022 and 2023, respectively (by species and flag of the catching vessels);
- the quantities of fish transhipped from third countries' fishing donor vessels (to third countries or EU fishing receiving vessels) in your designated ports in 2022 and 2023, respectively (by species and flag of the vessels):

Please fill-in the table below (landings):

Landings in 2022		Landings in 2023	
Flag of the third country vessel that caught the fish ¹³	Landed quantities by species ¹⁴ (weight in tonnes)	Flag of the third country vessel that caught the fish ¹⁵	Landed quantities by species ¹⁴ (weight in tonnes)
FO	<i>ARU 17</i> <i>HER 4</i> <i>MAC 18</i> <i>WHB 15398</i>	FO	<i>CEP 2</i> <i>GAR 2</i> <i>HER 6192</i> <i>LUM 3</i> <i>LXX 24</i> <i>MAC 4881</i> <i>PZB 0</i> <i>WHB 21815</i>
GB	<i>AES 1</i> <i>ANF 66</i> <i>BIB 1</i> <i>BLL 3</i>	GB	<i>AJQ 0</i> <i>ANF 47</i> <i>BLL 3</i> <i>BOC 3329</i>

¹² ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

¹³ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

¹⁴ Please use the FAO Alpha-3 codes (ASFIS).

¹⁵ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

<i>BOC</i>	<i>1082</i>	<i>CAA</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>CAT</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>CAT</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>CEP</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>CEP</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>COD</i>	<i>162</i>	<i>COD</i>	<i>348</i>
<i>CRE</i>	<i>1979</i>	<i>CRE</i>	<i>942</i>
<i>DAB</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>DAB</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>GUG</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>GUG</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>GUU</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>GUU</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>HAD</i>	<i>108</i>	<i>HAD</i>	<i>103</i>
<i>HAL</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>HAF</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>HER</i>	<i>257</i>	<i>HAL</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>HKE</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>HER</i>	<i>912</i>
<i>HOM</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>HKE</i>	<i>51</i>
<i>JOD</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>HOM</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>LBE</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>LBE</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>LEM</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>LEM</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>LEZ</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>LEZ</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>LIN</i>	<i>56</i>	<i>LIN</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>LIO</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>LXX</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>LXX</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>MAC</i>	<i>11526</i>
<i>MAC</i>	<i>13926</i>	<i>MEG</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>MEG</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>MON</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>NEP</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>NEP</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>PLE</i>	<i>375</i>	<i>NOP</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>POK</i>	<i>1598</i>	<i>PLE</i>	<i>502</i>
<i>POL</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>POK</i>	<i>484</i>
<i>RED</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>POL</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>RJC</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>RJC</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>RJH</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>RJH</i>	<i>0</i>

	<i>RJM 0</i> <i>RNG 0</i> <i>SCE 6</i> <i>SQC 1</i> <i>SQR 2</i> <i>SQS 0</i> <i>SQU 4</i> <i>TUR 8</i> <i>USK 4</i> <i>WHB 22520</i> <i>WHE 0</i> <i>WHG 43</i> <i>WIT 10</i>		<i>RJM 0</i> <i>SOL 0</i> <i>SQC 0</i> <i>SQR 3</i> <i>SQS 0</i> <i>SQU 2</i> <i>TUR 11</i> <i>USK 0</i> <i>WEG 0</i> <i>WHB 56290</i> <i>WHG 24</i> <i>WIT 10</i>
<i>IS</i>	<i>HER 1737</i>	<i>IS</i>	<i>NIL</i>
<i>GL</i>	<i>LXX 22</i> <i>MAC 23</i> <i>WHB 9700</i>	<i>GL</i>	<i>HER 2232</i> <i>LXX 2</i> <i>WHB 1874</i>
<i>NORWAY</i>	<i>AJQ 0</i> <i>ANE 0</i> <i>ARU 8</i> <i>ARY 1</i> <i>BLI 0</i> <i>CAP 3667</i> <i>CEP 1</i> <i>COD 3</i> <i>DAB 0</i> <i>GAR 1</i> <i>GDG 0</i> <i>GUG 2</i>	<i>NORWAY</i>	<i>ANE 0</i> <i>CEP 1</i> <i>COD 8</i> <i>CRA 0</i> <i>DAB 0</i> <i>ETX 0</i> <i>GUG 2</i> <i>HAD 127</i> <i>HAF 1</i> <i>HER 29103</i> <i>HOM 28</i> <i>LXX 13</i>

<i>HAD</i>	<i>76</i>	<i>MAC</i>	<i>450</i>
<i>HAL</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>NOP</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>HER</i>	<i>19874</i>	<i>PLA</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>HOM</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>PLE</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>LIN</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>POK</i>	<i>86</i>
<i>LXX</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>SKB</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>MAC</i>	<i>218</i>	<i>SPR</i>	<i>1008</i>
<i>MON</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>WHB</i>	<i>19067</i>
<i>NEP</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>WHG</i>	<i>59</i>
<i>NOP</i>	<i>211</i>		
<i>POD</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>POK</i>	<i>11</i>		
<i>PRA</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>PZB</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>RED</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>SAN</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>SPR</i>	<i>285</i>		
<i>WHB</i>	<i>16503</i>		
<i>WHG</i>	<i>13</i>		

Please fill-in the table below (transhipments): *DFA: We have not had any transshipments in 2022 & 2023*

Transhipments in 2022		Transhipments in 2023	
Flag of the third country vessel¹⁶	Transhipped quantities by species¹⁴ (weight in tonnes)	Flag of the third country vessel¹⁷	Transhipped quantities by species¹⁴ (weight in tonnes)
	<i>0</i>		<i>0</i>

¹⁶ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

¹⁷ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

3.6. Has your country recorded any case of non-compliance by third country fishing vessels with the provisions of Articles 6 (prior notice) and 7 (authorisation) of the IUU Regulation?

Yes No

If yes, please detail the nature of the infringement and the measures taken / sanctions applied:

In 2022: *DFA: 5 fishing vessel (Fresh fish, where registration to land is 4 hours “registration before arrival and unloading of catch”) All cases filed and settled with a fine.*

In 2023: *DFA: NIL*

3.7. Since January 2022, has your country denied access to its ports to a fishing vessel for port services, landing or transhipment of fishery products based on the conditions of the IUU Regulation? *DFA*

Yes No

If yes, please describe the case for each vessel concerned (please include the flag of the vessel and its name) and detail the reasons for the denial:

In 2022:

In 2023:

3.8. Do you have cases of third country fishing vessels landing in your ports with the landed products destined to another Member State? [Article 19(3) of the IUU Regulation] *DFA*

Yes No

If yes, please indicate the number of landings meant for transit:

In 2022: *No data available*

In 2023: *No data available*

In order to identify the vessels to be subject to port inspection, do you use risk assessment criteria [cf. benchmarks for port inspections, Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009]? *DFA*

Yes No

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of landings/transhipments from third countries)

If yes, please detail, in order to reach the objective of at least 5% of landing and transhipment operations as set in Article 9(1) of the IUU Regulation, which benchmarks you use and rank them:

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Section 4. Information on catch certification scheme for importation¹⁸

4.1. How many catch certificates¹⁹ from non-EU countries were submitted to the authorities of your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? Please complete the following table by flag State validating the catch certificates, including cases where catch certificates are accompanied by

¹⁸ Section to be filled-in by all Member States.

¹⁹ Please provide only the number of catch certificates i.e. not the number of all transactions (imports/declarations) where the same certificates have been (re)used.

processing statements.²⁰ Please only provide information on catch certificates accompanying the consignments to be imported in your country; for consignments meant for transit to another Member State (Article 19(1) of the IUU Regulation), please see the question 4.7. of this questionnaire.

Flag State (non-EU) ²¹	2022		2023	
	Annex II catch certificate ^{22 23}	Simplified catch certificate ²⁴ Could not be provided.	Annex II catch certificate ^{22 25}	Simplified catch certificate ²⁴ Could not be provided.
AR	45		25	
AU	2		0	
BZ	1		1	
CA	862		919	
CL	47		79	
CN	72		50	
CO	15		22	
EC	8		20	
FK	0		2	
FO	1362		1218	
GB	152		116	
GH	10		14	
GL	2071		2254	
ID	128		29	
IN	161		114	
IS	3011		2827	
JP	0		5	
KR	24		52	
LK	2		0	
MA	24		15	
MR	1		1	
MU	24		35	
MV	69		42	
MY	0		1	
NA	5		5	
NI	1		0	

²⁰ If catch certificates are submitted only for transshipment purposes, please specify.

²¹ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

²² Based on Annex II to the IUU Regulation

²³ The submitted numbers indicate both the Annex II catch certificates and the Simplified catch certificates.

²⁴ Based on Annex IV to the Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009

²⁵ The submitted numbers indicate both the Annex II catch certificates and the Simplified catch certificates.

Flag State (non-EU) ²¹	2022		2023	
	Annex II catch certificate ^{22 23}	Simplified catch certificate ²⁴ Could not be provided.	Annex II catch certificate ^{22 25}	Simplified catch certificate ²⁴ Could not be provided.
NO	9758		9659	
NZ	23		31	
PA	3		3	
PE	21		11	
PH	4		39	
PM	0		3	
RU	357		270	
SC	105		88	
SV	43		7	
TH	16		12	
TW	33		26	
US	630		667	
UY	3		2	
VN	84		68	
Total	19177		18734	

4.2. From the number above, how many recognised RFMO catch certificates (Annex V to Commission Regulation 1010/2009) accompanied consignments destined to your country? *Please detail per RFMO certificate and year.*

RFMO document	2022	2023
<i>ICCAT (electronic)-bluefin tuna catch document</i>	10	9
<i>Dissostichus spp. (CCAMLR)</i>	9	30
<i>CCSBT CDS</i>	0	0
Total	19	39

4.3. How many catch certificates from EU Member States (including from your country) were presented to the authorities of your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023?

Flag State (EU)	2022	2023
DE	86	41
DK	102	160
EE	83	83
ES	124	50
FR	129	148

Flag State (EU)	2022	2023
IE	2	6
IT	2	1
LT	49	35
LV	12	16
PL	1	0
SE	0	39
Total	590	579

4.4. From the number above, how many recognised RFMO catch certificates from EU Member States accompanied imports into your country? *Please detail per RFMO certificate and year.*

RFMO document	2022	2023
<i>ICCAT (electronic)-bluefin tuna catch document</i>	0	0
<i>Dissostichus spp. (CCAMLR)</i>	0	0
<i>CCSBT CDS</i>	0	0
Total	0	0

4.5. How many processing statements (Article 14(2) – Annex IV) were submitted to the authorities of your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? Please provide details per year and per processing country.

Processing non-EU State ²⁶	2022	2023
AL	1	0
CA	17	19
CI	2	0
CN	113	283
EC	7	2
FO	428	449
GB	2	13
GL	6	9
ID	8	2
IS	287	276
KR	0	2
MA	430	543
MG	1	3
MU	195	140

²⁶ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Processing non-EU State²⁶	2022	2023
MY	7	12
NO	228	204
PE	34	13
PH	4	0
SC	78	33
SG	2	3
SV	4	9
TH	248	182
TR	1	1
UA	226	259
VN	16	9
Total	2356	2466

4.6. How many single transport documents referred to in Article 14(1)(b)(i) were submitted to the authorities of your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? Please provide details per year and by third country concerned.

Non-EU State concerned²⁷ – single transport document	2022	2023
Total	0	0

4.7. How many documents referred to in Article 14(1)(b)(ii) (the so-called non-manipulation declarations) were submitted to the authorities of your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? Please provide details per year and per country that issued such a document.

Non-EU State issuing a document in line with Article 14.1.b.ii²⁸	2022	2023
CN	1	8
FO	7	30
GB	2	1
GL	2	4
IS	37	88
KR	16	50
MY	1	0
NO	29	43
PE	1	0

²⁷ Country through which fishery products went when transported from the territory of the flag State and before arriving to your country.

²⁸ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Non-EU State issuing a document in line with Article 14.1.b.ii²⁸	2022	2023
US	0	1
Total	95	255

4.8. Please indicate if you retain and record the information contained in processing statements (Article 14.2 – Annex IV) referring to the corresponding catch certificates (quantity management):

Yes *No*

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of processing statements received from non-EU countries in 2022-2023)

4.9. Do you have cases where third country fishery products arriving to your country (entry point) were destined to another Member State? [Article 19(1) of the IUU Regulation]

Yes *No*

If yes, please indicate the number consignments meant for transit:

In 2022:

In 2023:

4.10. Has your country received requests to authorise APEOs²⁹ in 2022-2023?

Yes *No*

If yes, how many requests has your country received and how many APEOs have been authorised?

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4.11. Has your country adopted administrative rules referring to the management and control of APEOs in 2022-2023?

Yes *No*

Not applicable (e.g. absence of APEO request)

If yes, please provide details:

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4.12. Has your country validated re-export certificates for products imported from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023?

Yes *No*

If yes, how many re-export certificates? Please detail per year and, if possible, per destination country:

²⁹ Approved Economic Operators – IUU Regulation, Article 16 and Implementing Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009, Chapter II

Destination country (non-EU) ³⁰	2022	2023
Total	8033	7276

4.13. Does your country monitor if the catches for which your country has validated a re-export certificate actually leave the EU?

Yes No

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of validation of re-export certificates in 2022-2023)

If yes, please provide details:

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4.14. Has your country established any IT tools to monitor the catch certificates and processing statements accompanying imports?

Yes No

If yes, does it include a module for re-exportation of imported catches?

Yes No

4.15. Does your country implement the provisions regarding transit under Article 19(2) at the point of entry or the place of destination?

At the point of entry At the place of destination

Not implemented because no consignments were placed under transit procedure as laid down in Article 19(2)

³⁰ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Section 5. Information on catch certification scheme for exportation³¹

5.1. Have you established a procedure for validation of catch certificates for exportation of catches from own vessels in accordance with Article 15? *DFA*

Yes *No*

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of validation of catch certificates for exportation in 2022-2023)

If yes, please explain briefly the established procedure and answer questions 5.2 to 5.5.

DFA: Issuance of Danish IUU certificates for fish that are landed and will be exported out of the EU and subsequently perhaps re-exported back to the EU. Is described in our procedure for catch certificates & export, (included as an attachment)

5.2. Have you validated catch certificates for exportation in 2022-2023 in accordance with Article 15? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, how many catch certificates did you validate from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023? Please provide details per requesting third country/country of destination in the following table:

Destination State ^{32, 33}	Year	
	2022	2023
<i>No data showing destination state, but the majority are issued for shrimps exported via the Netherlands, and is bought by companies registered in the Netherlands</i>	1947	1844
Total	1947	1844

5.3. Have you established any IT tool to monitor the catch certificates you have validated for fish caught by your own vessels?

DFA

Yes *No*

5.4. Do you monitor that the catches for which you have validated catch certificates actually leave the EU? *DFA:*

³¹ Section to be filled-in by flag Member States.

³² ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

³³ It is recommended that the validation of a catch certificate for exportation takes place when the country of destination is known.

Yes No

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of validation of catch certificates for exportation in 2022-2023)

5.5. Has your country refused the validation of a catch certificate between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2023? *DFA:*

Yes No

We have no numbers on these certificates, when we receive a certificate that is rejected by the FMC, they will be corrected soon after.

Not applicable (e.g. in the absence of request for validation of catch certificates for exportation in 2022-2023)

If yes, please provide details on:

Number (per year):

Reason:

Follow-up:

Section 6. Information on checks and verifications of catch certificates and related documents according to Articles 16(1) and 17(1)-(5) of IUU Regulation³⁴

Please note: points 6.1 to 6.3 in this Section refer to checks of catch certificates in accordance with Article 16(1) whereas points 6.4 to 6.11 refer to verifications of catch certificates in accordance with Article 17.

The clear separation between checks and verifications in this Section thus reflects the provisions of the mentioned Articles of the IUU Regulation.

It is therefore important to provide the requested information in line with this separation.

6.1. Has your country established a procedure for checks of catch certificates in accordance with Article 16(1)?

Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant instruction manuals/ guidance documents:

The guidance document will be sent separately as The Danish Veterinary and Food Administration oppose disclosure to the guidance document (ref. Ares (2019)3451092) in accordance with art. 4 (2) of Regulation No 1049/2001. The document is drawn up for internal use in the Danish IUU control, and contains information regarding how the inspections should be carried out. The disclosure of the document will undermine the protection of the purpose with the IUU inspections.

The procedure is specified in the guidelines to the IUU control inspectors. All CC are verified by the inspectors. Only exemption is CC's from Norway and Greenland. See below.

The inspectors check as a minimum:

- the validity of the CC in relevant databases,
- the IUU vessel list,
- that information given in CC is comparable with information from other relevant documents,

³⁴ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

- if RFMO covered species the vessel lists (both catching vessel and carrier vessel),
- other relevant RFMO rules (closure periods etc.),
- if relevant verify transshipment positions,
- traceability for the fish from the catching vessel to the importation into the EU,
- physical examination of the consignment also in reliance with IUU-control if the consignment is also checked by the border control.

All CC or Annex IV with errors, doubt about authenticity, from countries with yellow card, etc. will be sent to the SLO for further verification. The SLO assesses whether the CC/Annex IV/ 14(1) should be sent for verification to the flag state/processing country/transit country.

Denmark considers Norway and Greenland as low risk countries and only 25 % of the CC are checked and of course verified if necessary. All Norwegian and Greenlandic CC are still recorded in our import excel sheet and CC and Annex IV are filed in our database. If Greenlandic and Norwegian CC are accompanying a processing statement/14.1. document, they will be controlled 100 % based on the risk assessment that processing or storage in another country is a risk parameter.

If a re-export CC from Greenland or Norway should be issued, the CC is controlled and verified before the issuing officer signs the CC re-export part.

The low risk status for Greenland and Norway are decided due to good cooperation between DVFA and their IUU authority, access to national databases for check of catch certificates, very few mistakes in CC and annex IV discovered and no refusals.

DFA:

When a notification is received in the appropriate mailbox about a 3rd country, direct landing – fresh or frozen - the procedure is as follows:

- *Initially the CC is compared to the accompanying NEAFC PSC1 certificate to ensure that all information given is comparable.*
- *Every CC is checked for possible errors*
- *If available - the validity of the CC is checked in relevant database of the flag state*
- *CC + attachment and the stated quantities are compared and also compared with information from PSC1. In case of irregularities the importer, vessel or the flag state are informed about the findings straight away and asked to provide corrected information. If this can't be obtained the importation is halted until corrected information has been given or the importation is refused.*
- *The information given in CC is compared with information from other relevant documents*
- *The information obtained from the pre-landing certificate is typed into our system and a random inspection number is generated and added to the PNO together with the permitted landing place and landing time. This is the returned to the importer or the fish auction handling the landing.*
- *The verified CC is returned to the importer and the flag state.*

Aspects to be verified – based on the result of checks, risks and problems identified and/or known.

6.2. Do you check **all** catch certificates in light of the information provided in the notifications received from the flag States in accordance with Article 20 (i.e. (i) if all required data are provided in a catch certificate and (ii) if these data correspond to the notification from the flag State in question³⁵)?

Yes

No

If you do not check all catch certificates as indicated above (i.e. for data completeness and correspondence with information from the flag State notification) and instead you apply risk management for checks, please provide the following:

³⁵ Based on comparison of the information in the catch certificate with the information provided in the flag State notification available to Member States authorities on the Commission website (in CIRCABC database).

- risks identified in 2022 and 2023 on the basis of risk management used to check catch certificates, and
- number of catch certificates checked:

Please fill-in the table below:

Flag State (EU or non-EU) ³⁶	2022		2023	
	Overall number of catch certificates received	Number of catch certificates <u>checked</u>	Overall number of catch certificates received	Number of catch certificates <u>checked</u>
AR	45	45	25	25
AU	2	2	0	0
BZ	1	1	1	1
CA	862	862	919	919
CL	47	47	79	79
CN	72	72	50	50
CO	15	15	22	22
DE	86	86	41	41
DK	102	102	160	160
EC	8	8	20	20
EE	83	83	83	83
ES	124	124	50	50
FK	3	3	2	2
FO	1362	1362	1218	1218
FR	129	129	148	148
GB	152	152	116	116
GH	10	10	14	14
GL	2071	828	2254	1462
ID	128	128	29	29
IE	2	2	6	6
IN	161	161	114	114

³⁶ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

IS	3011	3011	2827	2827
IT	2	2	1	1
JP	0	0	5	5
KR	24	24	52	52
LK	2	2	0	0
LT	49	49	35	35
LV	12	12	16	16
MA	24	24	15	15
MR	1	1	1	1
MU	24	24	35	35
MV	69	69	42	42
NA	5	5	5	5
NI	1	1	0	0
NO	9758	5005	9659	6058
NZ	23	23	31	31
PA	3	3	3	3
PE	21	21	11	11
PH	4	4	39	39
PL	1	1	0	0
RU	357	357	270	270
SC	105	105	88	88
SE	0	0	39	39
SN	0	0	1	1
SV	43	43	7	7
TH	16	16	12	12
TW	33	33	26	26
TZ	0	0	1	1
US	630	630	667	667

UY	3	3	2	2
VN	84	84	68	68
Total	19770	13774	19313	14920

6.3. What exactly do you check in catch certificates in accordance with Article 16(1)? Please describe the precise scope and the procedure used in detail³⁷:
See point 6.1 and 6.4.

6.4. Has your country established a procedure for verification of catch certificates for importation in accordance with Article 17?

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide relevant instruction manuals/ guidance documents:

DVFAs procedure for verification of catch certificates for importation can be found in our administrative guides for the DVFA IUU control. See point 6.1.

6.5. Do you verify all catch certificates linked to consignments of fishery products intended for importation into the EU or do you verify only part of the catch certificates by applying (or not) risk management?

All *Only part by applying risk management*
 Only part without applying risk management *No verifications*

6.6. If you apply risk management to verifications (Article 17(3)), do you use Union (Article 31 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009) or national criteria for identification of risks on which verifications shall focus?

Union criteria *National criteria*

If you apply Union criteria, please detail the methodology used (and which criteria are used always/regularly, often, occasionally, never):

DVFA's risk assessment is based on the criteria from article 31 in 1010/2009. Article 31 a), f), h) and j), but also b) g) and n) are important criteria for the Danish import IUU control. Further splitting of consignments is considered a risk factor. The risk parameters are provided to the IUU control inspectors via our guideline and newsletters e.g. about new yellow card/red card countries, Mutual assistance etc.

If you apply national criteria, please detail them and the methodology used³⁸:

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6.7. If you apply risk management to verifications, please provide information on the risks identified in 2022 and 2023 respectively (Article 32 of Commission Regulation (EC) 1010/2009) on the basis of the criteria used. Please also provide information on whether all consignments identified as risky have been covered by verifications. If this is not the case, please specify the percentage of

³⁷ Please provide a complete description (not only examples of what and how is checked).

³⁸ Please provide a complete description (not only examples of national criteria and of their use).

consignments identified as risky that have been covered by verifications and the reasons of such situation.

All consignments identified as risky are covered by verifications.

6.8. If you do not apply risk management to verifications, please describe the procedure used³⁹:

6.9. How many catch certificates have been verified by your administration from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? Please specify, separately for each year:

See table point 6.2. It is difficult to see the exact difference between checks and verification. When the CC are checked there are elements of verification in each case. As control and verification is connected in our IUU registration we do not have these data and are therefore not able to differentiate.

Flag State (EU or non-EU) ⁴⁰	2022		2023	
	Overall number of catch certificates received	Number of catch certificates <u>verified</u>	Overall number of catch certificates received	Number of catch certificates <u>verified</u>
Country 1	See table in 6.2			
Country 2				
...				
Country x				
Total				

6.9.1. Please reply to the following questions:

DVFA: Verification is in our system not specified with reference to article 17.3, 17.4. or 17.5. Therefor the exact numbers cannot be provided.

a) How many catch certificates have you verified in the context of the application of Article 17(4)?

The catch certificates mentioned in section 7.1.is verified in context of art.17(4)(a).

b) How many catch certificates have you verified on the basis of risk identified in accordance with Article 17(3)?

DVFA: The catch certificates from table 6.2 have been checked and in many cases different check parameters are also verified. E.g. vessel positions, transshipment positions, approved vessels (Incl. RFMO.) transport details etc., cross checks with other document for border control and customs.

c) How many catch certificates have been verified at random (Article 17(5))?

DVFA:

- o *All consignments from new countries.*

³⁹ Please provide a complete and accurate description

⁴⁰ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

- *Approximately 13 % of the CC are taken out for random in-depth checks and further verification.*

6.10. Does your country also physically examine the consignments in the context of verifications? *Please note that under this point you are asked to provide information on physical examinations based only on IUU-related grounds.*

Yes No

If yes, please provide details on:

a) *Number of physically examined consignments (per year) and percentage in relation to all verifications made:*

2022:
Total: 1863 CC
Percentage: 9,4%

2023:
Total: 2161 CC
Percentage: 11,2%

b) *Method of selection of consignments:*

DK combines veterinary border control with the IUU control; this means that the physical checks are carried out to ensure both veterinary and IUU requirements. Consignments from Norway, Iceland, Greenland and the Faroe Islands will be physically checked at random in campaigns in cooperation with the customs authorities.

Section 7. Assistance requests to third countries⁴¹

7.1. Have you sent assistance requests for verifications under Article 17(6) of the IUU Regulation to flag States' authorities in 2022-2023⁴²?

Yes No

If yes, how many assistance requests for verifications? *Note: please provide separate data for 2022 and 2023:*

Flag States ⁴³	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2022	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2023	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>

⁴¹ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

⁴² Please note that assistance requests for verifications sent to countries other than flag States should be listed under point 7.4.

⁴³ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

Flag States⁴³	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2022	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2023	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>
AR	1	Fishing license possibly expired.	1	Wrong CN code in CC, correct in Annex IV.
CA	1	Discrepancy between information in the Annex IV and bill of lading and invoice.	1	CC cannot be found in CA database.
CL	3	Valid fishing license cannot be found. Vessel cannot be found. Letterhead does not match the one in CIRCABC.	2	Letterhead does not match the one in CIRCABC. A part of the catch is not specified in the CC.
CO	1	Tuna possibly caught in closing period.	2	Fishing license possibly expired.
ES	3	Date for the exporter signature is before the catch date. Possibly expired fishing license.	-	-
FK	1	Stamp and signature cannot be validated.	-	-
FO	5	Validation of Annex IV. Old stamp is used for validation of CC. The signature of the exporter is after the date of validation of CC. Information regarding logbook and captain are missing.	2	Wrong catch area in the CC. Very large and unknown catch areas.
FR	4	Vessel cannot be found on the Sante list. CC incompletely completed. Discrepancy between received CC and the validated CC.	2	Stamps are missing. CC incompletely completed.

Flag States⁴³	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2022	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2023	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>
GL	2	Discrepancy between landing date and catch period. Database is not working, CC cannot be verified.	-	-
NL	2	CC validated before exporters signature. Doubt whether the CC has been checked.	1	There is doubt as to whether vessels may use simplified CC.
IN	-	-	2	There is doubt as to whether vessels may use simplified CC.
ID	3	Validating officer cannot be found in CIRCABC. Discrepancy between landed weight and weight at transshipment at sea. 2 versions of the same CC.	-	-
IS	2	Fishing license is missing. Stamp on Annex IV is not in accordance with the stamp in CIRCABC.	3	DK requests to be send CC's as a Danish establishment does not report for IUU control. Wrong date on the replacement CC. License for the vessel is missing.
IT	-	-	1	Number in the CC is not visible and stamp and signature cannot be found in CIRCABC.
LT	1	The CC is possibly signed electronically.	-	-
LV	1	The CC does not in accordance with the one in CIRCABC.	-	-

Flag States⁴³	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2022	Justification (please provide a brief description)	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2023	Justification (please provide a brief description)
MY	-	-	2	CN code is missing in Annex IV. Discrepancy between stamp and signature in CC compared to CIRCABC.
MV	1	CC cannot be verified in the database.	-	-
NO	-	-	1	The vessel cannot be found on the Sante list.
OM	1	Vessel is not on the IOTC list. Wrong CN code.	-	-
PE	2	Validating officer cannot be found in CIRCABC. Wrong total weight in the Annex IV. Stamp cannot be found in CIRCABC.	3	Validation of new Annex IV and previous annexes must be cancelled. Discrepancy in weight in CC and Annex IV.
PL	1	The vessel cannot be found on the Sante list.	-	-
RU	9	Transshipment at sea cannot be found in IMS. Wrong information in the CC rubric 2. Possibly expired license. Doubt whether a transshipment was at sea or in the port.	4	Transshipment at sea cannot be found in IMS. Validating signature cannot be found in CIRCABC.
PM	-	-	2	Vessels cannot be found. The dates in the CC are not listed correct
SC	1	2 CC are used for the same catch.	-	-
TH	1	Discrepancy between stamp on CC and the one in CIRCABC.	-	-

Flag States⁴³	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2022	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>	Number of assistance requests for verifications 2023	Justification <i>(please provide a brief description)</i>
TZ	-	-	1	DK has never received consignments from TZ, so the CC must be validated.
US	9	Amounts in the processing statements are not correct. Weight in the CC must be validated. Names of the vessel is not correct listed. Name of vessel is missing. Doubt as to the Annex IV is valid. CC must be checked as the consignment has been processed in China. Log book is missing for transshipment at sea.	-	-
VE	-	-	1	Vessel has wrongly used a simplified CC.
VN	3	Discrepancy between Annex IV in CC and CIRCABC. Discrepancy between catch period and landing date. Document for transshipment is missing.	1	Discrepancy between stamp in CC and in CIRCABC.
Total	58		32	

7.2. How many assistance requests for verifications were not replied to by the other flag States' authorities within the deadline provided in Article 17(6) of the IUU Regulation? In these cases, do you send a reminder to the authorities of the country in question? Could you please specify when

the assistance request, despite reminder(s), remained unanswered? What measures have you taken in that case (i.e. have you denied the importation)? [Please provide separate data for 2022 and 2023]

2022: not answered: 2 late reply: 4

2023: not answered: 3 late reply: 4

The DVFA sends reminders when answers are not received within the 15 days. In the cases where no answers are received, importation were allowed as the reasons for the requests where not due to suspicion of IUU fishing but due to minor shortcomings.

7.3. Was the quality of the answers provided overall sufficient to satisfy the assistance request? If no, please explain why the quality was not sufficient, and the measures you have taken in such case(s).

The answers to the requests have been acceptable. The quality is mostly good. Cooperation with most third countries is normally good, but there are some countries that do not reply (e.g. RU, CN), or only answers part of the verification request (CN).

7.4. Have you sent assistance requests for verifications to other countries than the flag State? If yes, please specify the number, the reasons and the countries concerned, and the quality of the feedback provided.

Requests have been sent to processing states and storage states (CA, FO, IS, MY, PE, US, VN) Approximately 9 cases). Feed back are usually good.

7.5. If you have been using IT systems developed by third countries allowing for a full or partial verification⁴⁴ of catch certificates, please indicate these countries and the number of verifications that were made through their systems (at least approximately)?

Yes. All CC from CA, CN, EC, IN, NZ, USA, and approximately 30% of the CC from GL and NO. If there is an available IT system for verification of CC and annex IV we use it.

⁴⁴ Please indicate if you use these IT systems already as part of your checks (not verifications) of catch certificates.

Section 8. Information on refusal of importations (Article 18 of the IUU Regulation)⁴⁵

8.1. Has your country refused any imports from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? *Note: please only consider refusals based on the IUU Regulation, not for other reasons e.g. Food Safety legislation, Customs legislation, etc.*

Yes No

If yes, please provide details in the table below:

Reason for refusal of importation	2022		2023	
	Flag State ⁴⁶	Number	Flag State ⁴⁷	Number
Non-submission of a catch certificate for products to be imported.				
The products intended for importation are not the same as those mentioned in the catch certificate.				
The catch certificate is not validated by the notified public authority of the flag State.				
The catch certificate does not indicate all the required information.				
The importer is not in a position to prove that the fishery products comply with the conditions of Article 14.1 or 2.				
A fishing vessel figuring on the catch certificate as vessel of origin of the catches is included in the EU IUU vessel list or in the IUU vessel lists referred to in Article 30.				
The catch certificate has been validated by the authorities of a flag State identified as a non-cooperating State in accordance with Article 31.				
Further to the request for verification (Article 18.2).	US: Processing statements and other documents discrepancies.	1		
	CN: Non-listed reefer vessel involved.	1		

⁴⁵ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

⁴⁶ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

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8.2. If the answer to point 8.1 is yes, what measures were taken by your authorities in relation to the consignments refused (Article 18.3)? Please also quote the national legal basis for the measures taken.

Rejection and possibility to either send back to the country of origin/dispatch or for destruction.

8.3. In case of refusal of importation, did any operator contest the decision of the authorities of your country?

Yes No

Not applicable (absence of refusals in 2022-2023)

If yes, please provide details:

Section 9. Information on trade flows⁴⁸

Please provide information and relevant import figures, based on your statistical data, concerning any important change of trade patterns in imports of fishery products into your country since the last reporting period covering 2020-2021:

No clear changes in trade pattern.

Section 10. Information on mutual assistance⁴⁹

10.1. Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, how many mutual assistance messages of the Commission (DG MARE B4) has your country replied to?⁵⁰

Please provide separate data for 2022 and 2023 (if any)

2022: DVFA 5

2023: DVFA 3

2022: DFA 0

2023: DFA 0

From the numbers above, please specify in how many cases you took action and describe the actions taken.

DVFA: For MA covering information on establishments, fraud with species, fraud with CC, suspicious trade flows, the information has been shared with the control staff and they are asked to verify all relevant cases. For the MA covering fraud our border control posts are also informed.

10.2. Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, has your country sent any mutual assistance message to the Commission/other Member States?

Please provide separate data for 2022 and 2023 (if any)

⁴⁸ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

⁴⁹ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

⁵⁰ Please provide the number of all replies, regardless of their content i.e. including replies which, for example, only confirmed that the request was not relevant for your country.

2022: 0

2023: 0

Section 11. Information on cooperation with third countries⁵¹

Apart from assistance requests in the context of verifications of catch certificates and accompanying documents foreseen under the catch certification scheme (Article 17(6)), has your country had other exchanges with third countries on issues related to the implementation of the IUU Regulation, such as follow-up of cases concerning nationals, trade flows, operators, private fishing licencing, re-flagging operations, investigations of cases of IUU fishing (Article 42) and investigations of criminal activities associated to IUU fishing?

DVFA/DFA

Yes No

If yes, please provide details (please provide separate data for 2022 and 2023, if any).

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Section 12. Information on nationals⁵²

12.1. Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, has your country implemented or modified existing measures to ensure that your country can take appropriate action with regards to nationals involved in IUU fishing in accordance with Article 39 of the IUU Regulation? *DFA*

Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

12.2. Have there been any cases of nationals of your country engaging in or supporting IUU fishing, including by engagement on board or as operators or beneficial owners of fishing vessels included in the EU IUU vessel list? *DFA*

Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

12.3. Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, has your country taken any action with regard to its nationals who have been identified as supporting or engaged in IUU fishing? *DFA*

Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

12.4. What measures has your country taken to encourage nationals to notify any information on interests in third country fishing vessels (Article 40(1))? *DFA*

.....*None*.....

⁵¹ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

⁵² Section to be filled-in by all Member States

12.5. Has your country endeavoured to obtain information on arrangements between nationals and third countries allowing reflagging of their fishing vessels in accordance with Article 40(4)? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide details: *The Danish Fisheries Agency have to be informed if a Danish flagged vessel is taken out of the fishery. However, there is no obligation to inform if a vessel is sold outside of the European Union*

12.6. Has your country put in place procedures to ensure that nationals do not sell or export any fishing vessels to operators involved in the operation, management or ownership of fishing vessels included in the EU IUU vessel list (Article 40(2))? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide details:

12.7. Has your country made use of Article 40(3) and removed public aid under national aid regimes or under EU funds to operators involved in the operation, management or ownership of fishing vessels included in the EU IUU vessel list? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide details:

Section 13. Serious infringements (Chapter IX of the IUU Regulation)⁵³

13.1. Has your country detected serious infringements as defined in Article 42 of the IUU Regulation from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, please detail separately for each year the number of serious infringements, nature and sanctions applied:

⁵³ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

Flag State of the fishing vessel or nationality of the operator (EU and non-EU) ⁵⁴	Serious infringements detected in 2022:			Serious infringements detected in 2023:		
	Number	Nature: <i>(Category, cf. annex XXX of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011 of 8 April 2011)</i>	Sanctions applied	Number	Nature <i>(Category, cf. annex XXX of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011 of 8 April 2011)</i>	Sanctions applied
<i>Denmark</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Category 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 10</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>Category 1, 2 and 8</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Netherlands</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>Category 8 and 10</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>0</i>		
<i>Sweden</i>	<i>0</i>			<i>1</i>	<i>Category 8</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>32</i>			<i>9</i>		

13.2. Has your country applied its levels of administrative sanctions in accordance with Article 44? *DFA*

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide details:

Have you used criminal sanctions? If yes, please specify if in addition to or in replacement of administrative sanctions:

Section 14. Sightings (Chapter X of the IUU Regulation)⁵⁵

14.1. Has your country issued sighting reports from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023? *DFA*:

Yes *No*

If yes, how many sighting reports were issued by your country from 1 January 2022 until 31 December 2023?

⁵⁴ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.

⁵⁵ Section to be filled-in by all Member States

Flag State of the sighted fishing vessel (EU and non-EU) ⁵⁶	Number of sighting reports issued in 2022	Number of sighting reports issued in 2023
<i>Country 1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>

14.2. Since the last reporting exercise covering the period 2020-2021, has your country received any sighting reports for fishing vessels flying its own flag from other competent authorities? *DFA:*

Yes *No*

If yes, please provide details on follow-up (in accordance with Article 50 of the IUU Regulation).

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Section 15. General

14.1. During the reporting period 2022-2023, what have been the main difficulties that your country has encountered in implementing the IUU Regulation, including the catch certification scheme?

DFA: We have an issue in implementing the requirements for signatures from the master of the fishing vessel in the CC. The CC is requested by an exporter who is not in direct contact with the company/owner of the fishing vessel

- *Lack of the common EU IT system.*
- *That IUU control and official control at the border not are performed in the same member state.*
- *IUU control should be moved to the first border upon entry in to the EU.*

Section 16. Any other comment

- *Denmark still encourages the Commission to keep working for a more uniform implementation of the IUU Regulation in the Member States. To ensure a level playing field, a DG MARE audit team doing audits in the member states would be an important tool to ensure this.*

- *The future bi-annual reports should be constructed in a way that the requested data could be extracted from CATCH via QlikSense.*

- *From a resource perspective, it would be appropriate to secure new requirements that must be reported to be announced as soon as possible before the next reporting period.*

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⁵⁶ ISO Alpha-2 country codes.