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<u>Representative</u>	<u>MCRS</u>	<u>Catch Limits</u>	<u>No transfer of catch limits between vessels</u>	<u>Item 5 [Irish closure & no transhipping etc]</u>	<u>Item 6 [MS 14 day reporting requirement]</u>
<u>NGO</u>	42 cms accompanied by selectivity adjustments/measures (e.g. increase in mesh sizes (80-90mm gear group), RTCs etc.).	Maximum 1 ton per month for all metiers with exception of 3 tons per 3 months for smaller scale [defined as under 12 metres, not using towed gear].	Agreed	Agreed	No comment
<u>EAA</u>	42 cms	Maximum 1 ton per month for all metiers	Agreed	Agreed	No Comment
<u>NUTFA/LIFE</u>	40 cms, review biological and socio economic impacts, then 42 cms if necessary	Maximum 3 tons per three month period for all metiers	Agreed	Agreed	No Comment
<u>CNPMEM</u>	40 cms, review biological and socio economic impacts, then 42 cms if necessary	Maximum 4.5 tons per 3 months for all metiers	Agreed	Agreed	No Comment

NB: Whilst not forming part of the main proposals, the Group considered that the continuation of the previous emergency measures introduced to ban pair trawling on spawning aggregations should be reviewed following the next round of ICES advice.



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Notes:

All concerned recognised and endorsed the need for more research into selectivity and the use of real time closures, moving on requirements etc

All concerned recognised and endorsed the need within the Regulation to provide specific protection for the survival and prosperity of the small scale fleet.

All concerned considered that a further review would be necessary immediately following the publication of the next round of ICES advice for Bass

Discussed at the meeting but not referred to by the drafting group was the need to consider compensation for fishermen and net suppliers in the event of rapid and extensive changes in the required mesh sizes, especially of drift and set nets that will be necessary to select out Bass of less than any revised MCRS.