SEVEN-DAY ICEBERG OUTLOOK FOR EAST NEWFOUNDLAND WATERS AND THE LABRADOR COAST ISSUED BY INTERNATIONAL ICE PATROL (IIP) ON 03 MAY 2021. THE NEXT ICEBERG OUTLOOK WILL BE ISSUED ON 11 MAY 2021.

Labrador Coast and Strait of Belle Isle (NORTH OF 52°N):
Storm patterns continue to bring onshore winds to the northern Labrador Coast. With exception of Lake Melville, sea ice receded north of 55°N and within 70NM of the shore. IIP estimates that there are a total of 291 icebergs north of 52°N and 28 in the Strait of Belle Isle and Gulf of St. Lawrence. Many icebergs remain outside of the sea ice edge but few are expected to survive to the transatlantic shipping lanes south of 48°N.

Newfoundland (SOUTH OF 52°N):
Recent aerial reconnaissance confirmed that most icebergs present in Notre Dame Bay had melted, causing a significant reduction in the Iceberg Limit. IIP estimates that there are 8 icebergs south of 52°N and expects the Iceberg Limit to remain well inside of the early May median Iceberg Limit (dashed line) and north of 48°N.

As of 03 MAY, 1 iceberg has drifted or been sighted south of 48°N in the transatlantic shipping lanes in 2021. On average, 595 icebergs drift south of this latitude by the end of May based on iceberg sighting data collected between 1983 and 2020.