

Marketing of fisheries products: scheme to compensate for additional costs resulting from the remoteness of the Azores, Madeira, Canary Islands, Guyana, Réunion (2003-2006)

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PURPOSE : to introduce a compensation scheme for the additional costs incurred in the marketing of certain fishery products from the Azores, Madeira, the Canary Islands and the French departments of Guyana and Reunion as a result of the remoteness of those regions. **LEGISLATIVE ACT** : Council Regulation 2328/2003/EC introducing a scheme to compensate for the additional costs incurred in the marketing of certain fishery products from the Azores, Madeira, the Canary Islands and the French departments of Guyana and Reunion, as a result of those regions' remoteness. **CONTENT** : the fisheries sector in the outermost regions of the Community faces difficulties, which are aggravated in particular by the cost of transporting fishery products to the markets as a result of their remoteness and isolation. The regions concerned are facing specific development problems, and in particular additional costs incurred in the marketing of certain products as a result of their remoteness. This Regulation introduces a scheme to compensate for the additional costs incurred in the marketing of certain fishery products from the Azores, Madeira, the Canary Islands and the French departments of Guyana and Reunion. The recipients of the compensation shall be the producers, the owners or operators of vessels registered in the ports of the regions referred to above and operating therein or associations of such operators, and the operators in the processing and marketing sector or associations of such operators, who incur the additional costs in marketing the products concerned as a result of the remoteness of those regions. In the case of the Azores, the compensation shall be payable for tuna, species for marketing fresh and small pelagics and deep-sea species. In the case of Madeira, the compensation shall be payable for tuna, black scabbardfish and aquaculture products. In the case of the Canary Islands, the compensation shall be payable for tuna, skipjack, pilchard, mackerel and aquaculture products. In the case of Guyana, the compensation shall be payable for shrimp and non-industrial white fish to be marketed fresh or frozen. In the case of Reunion, the compensation shall be payable for swordfish, tuna, marlin/makaira, shark, sailfish and Dolphinfish. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : this Regulation shall enter into force on 31/12/2003. It shall apply from 01/01/2003 to 31/12/2006.