Conservation of fishery resources: protection of juveniles of marine organisms

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Ian HUDGHTON (Greens/EFA, UK) making a few amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please see the document dated 20/05/03.) Parliament also inserted a provision stating that Regulation 2371/2002/EC enabled the establishment of Regional Advisory Councils. These are intended to help the Common Fisheries Policy to benefit from the knowledge and experience of the fishermen concerned and of other stakeholders and to take into account the diverse conditions throughout Community waters. Accordingly, decisions on technical measures should only be made after the opinions of relevant Regional Advisory Councils have been taken into account, particularly given that fishermen are likely to have the most in-depth knowledge of the sort of measures dealt with in the Regulation.