


Procedure file

Basic information		
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EC/Angola fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 May 1995 to 2 May 1999		
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	PECH Fisheries		10/09/1996
		ELDR CUNHA Arlindo	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		04/09/1996
	DEVE Development and Cooperation	PSE JÖNS Karin	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Research	2005	14/05/1997
	Social Affairs	1948	24/09/1996

Key events			
09/07/1996	Legislative proposal published	COM(1996)0323	Summary
16/09/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
20/01/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
20/01/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0013/1997	
11/03/1997	Debate in Parliament		
12/03/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0090/1997	Summary
14/05/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
14/05/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1996/0176(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 228-p2/3-a1; EC before Amsterdam E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/08229

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1996)0323 OJ C 278 24.09.1996, p. 0007	09/07/1996	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0013/1997 OJ C 055 24.02.1997, p. 0003	20/01/1997	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0090/1997 OJ C 115 14.04.1997, p. 0053-0082	12/03/1997	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Regulation 1997/910 OJ L 131 23.05.1997, p. 0009 Summary

EC/Angola fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 May 1995 to 2 May 1999

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of the Agreement concerning the provisional application of the Protocol defining for the period 3 May 1996 to 2 May 1999 the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for by the EC-Angola Agreement on fishing off the coast of Angola.

SUBSTANCE: the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol primarily concern Spanish, French and Portuguese fishermen. They are allocated as follows: - shrimp vessels: 6 550 GRT, per month, as an annual average, 22 vessels Spain; - demersal trawlers: 2 000 GRT, per month, as an annual average, Spain; - bottom longliners: 1 750 GRT, per month, as an annual average, Portugal; - freezer tuna seiners: 9 vessels France; - surface longliners: 2 vessels, Portugal, 10 vessels Spain. The financial compensation to Angola is set at ECU 31 000 000 payable in three equal annual instalments. To this compensation is added: - the EC contribution of ECU 5 000 000 towards the financing of Angolan scientific and technical programmes (equipment, infrastructure, monitoring, seminars, studies, institutional support for non-industrial fishing); - the provision to Angolan nationals of study and practical training grants in the various disciplines related to fisheries (not exceeding ECU 3 000 000); - the contribution to the cost of carrying out scientific studies and research campaigns, to the amount of ECU 350 000 per year. The Annexes to the Protocol lay down the conditions governing the issuing of licences and the obligations upon Community vessels (fees of ECU 56/month per GRT for shrimp vessels and ECU 195/year per GRT for demersal vessels; biological recovery; by-catches; landings; transhipments; statement of catches; signing of crews; scientific observers; inspection and monitoring, etc.). ?

EC/Angola fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 May 1995 to 2 May 1999

On 20 January 1996, the committee adopted the report by Mr Arlindo CUNHA (PPE, P) on the fisheries agreement with Angola. The rapporteur welcomed this agreement, which contained several positive points. The three-year term (May 96 - May 99) will allow the sector to plan its activities; although the cost had risen, fishing rights had been extended to certain commercially successful species; for the first time, a biological respite can be decreed should stocks diminish. Finally, it will have a positive impact on development, especially on the training plan, with an increase in the number of Angolan seamen on board Community vessels. Although this was all highly positive, the rapporteur stressed that the decision-making process within the EU needed to be improved. The amendments therefore seek to ensure that the European Parliament is better informed, mainly in the form of an assessment by the European Commission before the protocol is renewed.?

EC/Angola fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 May 1995 to 2 May 1999

In adopting the report by Mr A. CUNHA (EPP, P) Parliament approved this proposal for a regulation with the following amendments: - during the final year of the application of the agreement and before the conclusion of any agreement on its renewal, the Commission should submit to the Council and the Parliament a report on the application of the agreement, - on the basis of this report and following consultation of the European Parliament the Council will grant the Commission a new negotiating mandate for the protocols for implementing the agreement. ?

EC/Angola fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 May 1995 to 2 May 1999

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of a new fisheries Protocol between the European Community and Angola for the period 3 May 1996 - 2 May 1999.
COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 910/97 concerning the conclusion of the Protocol defining for the period 3 May 1996 - 2 May 1999 the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for by the EC-Angola Agreement on fishing off the coast of Angola.
SUBSTANCE: the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol primarily concern Spanish, French and Portuguese fishermen. They are allocated as follows: - Shrimp vessels: 6 550 GRT per month, as an annual average, 22 vessels Spain; - Demersal trawlers: 2000 GRT per month, as an annual average, Spain; - bottom longliners: 1750 GRT per month, as an annual average, Portugal; - freezer seiners: 9 vessels France; - surface longliners: 2 vessels Portugal, 10 vessels Spain. Should licence applications from these Member States not exhaust the fishing possibilities provided in the Protocol the Commission may entertain licence applications from any other Member State. The financial compensation to Angola is set at ECU 31 000 000 payable in three equal annual instalments. To this compensation is added: - the EC contribution of ECU 5 000 000 towards the financing of Angolan scientific and technical programmes (equipment, infrastructure, monitoring, seminars, studies, institutional support for non-industrial fishing); - the provision to Angolan nationals of study and practical training grants in the various disciplines related to fisheries (not exceeding ECU 3 000 000); - the contribution to the cost of carrying out scientific studies and research campaigns, to the amount of ECU 350 000 per year. The Annexes to the Protocol lay down the conditions governing the issuing of licences and the obligations upon Community vessels (fees of ECU 56/month per GRT for shrimp vessels and ECU 195/year per GRT for demersal vessels; biological recovery; by-catches; landings; transshipments; statement of catches; signing of crews; scientific observers; inspection and monitoring, etc.).
ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Regulation enters into force on 26 May 1997. The Protocol will enter into force once the requisite notifications have been given. ?