

# Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1996/0178(CNS) Procedure completed
EC/Latvia fisheries agreement	
Subject 3.15.15.08 Fisheries agreements with Northern and Baltic countries	
Geographical area Latvia	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>PECH</b> Fisheries		10/09/1996
		PSE <a href="#">KINDERMANN Heinz</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		04/09/1996
		PSE <a href="#">JÖNS Karin</a>	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Social Affairs	<a href="#">1974</a>	02/12/1996

Key events			
16/07/1996	Legislative proposal published	COM(1996)0343	Summary
16/09/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
11/11/1996	Vote in committee		
11/11/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0363/1996</a>	
15/11/1996	Decision by Parliament	T4-0626/1996	Summary
02/12/1996	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
02/12/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
20/12/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1996/0178(CNS)

Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(1996)0343</a> <a href="#">OJ C 276 21.09.1996, p. 0008</a>	16/07/1996	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0363/1996</a> <a href="#">OJ C 362 02.12.1996, p. 0016</a>	11/11/1996	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0626/1996 <a href="#">OJ C 362 02.12.1996, p. 0315-0322</a>	15/11/1996	EP	Summary

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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### Final act

<a href="#">Regulation 1996/2394</a> <a href="#">OJ L 332 20.12.1996, p. 0001</a> Summary
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Parliament adopted the report by Mr Heinz Kindermann (PSE, D) concerning the conclusion of an Agreement on Fisheries Relations between the European Community and Latvia. It asked that each year, before the start of bilateral consultations between the Parties, the Commission should submit to the Council and Parliament a report on the application and implementing conditions of the Agreement. On the basis of that report and taking account of the Parliament's opinion thereon, the Council should authorize the Commission, where appropriate, to start negotiations with a view to the adoption of a new Protocol. ?

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Protocol implementing the elements of the 'second generation' Agreements. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 27 December 1996. The President of the Council will designate the persons authorized to sign the Agreement for the purpose of committing the Community. ?