

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	1996/0193(CNS)	Procedure completed
Continuous monitoring system using satellite communicationsfor Community fishing vessels (amend. regul. 2847/93/EEC)		
Subject 3.15.07 Fisheries inspectorate, surveillance of fishing vessels and areas		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	PECH Fisheries	EDN SOUCHET Dominique F.C.	27/06/1996
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Fisheries	1998	14/04/1997
	Fisheries	1983	20/12/1996
	Fisheries	1955	14/10/1996

Key events			
17/06/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/07/1996	Legislative proposal published	COM(1996)0386	Summary
14/10/1996	Debate in Council	1955	Summary
11/11/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
11/11/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0366/1996	
13/12/1996	Decision by Parliament	T4-0699/1996	Summary
20/12/1996	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/12/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information	
Procedure reference	1996/0193(CNS)

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Legislative proposal		COM(1996)0386 OJ C 278 24.09.1996, p. 0027	23/07/1996	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0366/1996 OJ C 380 16.12.1996, p. 0004	11/11/1996	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0699/1996 OJ C 020 20.01.1997, p. 0366-0385	13/12/1996	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

[Regulation 1996/2489](#)
[OJ L 338 28.12.1996, p. 0012](#) Summary

Continuous monitoring system using satellite communicationsfor Community fishing vessels (amend. regul. 2847/93/EEC)

OBJECTIVE: amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 as regards the deadline for the Council Decision on a continuous position monitoring system using satellite communications for Community fishing vessels. SUBSTANCE: under the proposal, the Council will decide before 1 January 1997 (in place of 1 July 1996) to what extent and when a continuous position monitoring system using satellite communications is to be introduced for Community fishing vessels. ?

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The Council has taken note of the Commission report on the above-mentioned subject and has continued to examine the proposed amendment to Council Regulation (EEC) no 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy, for which the deadline for adoption was extended until the end of 1996 at the last Fisheries Council. The opinion of the European Parliament has not yet been received. The Report, based on the experience gained in pilot projects carried out in Member States from July 1994 to December 1995, considers that satellite-based continuous monitoring of fishing vessels will considerably improve the effectiveness of fisheries control. Consequently, the proposed Regulation envisages the establishment by Member States of Fisheries Monitoring Centres and the application of satellite-based vessel monitoring systems in order to track fishing vessels. For a first transitional period the system should apply to Community vessels operating in certain fisheries. Subsequently, the system would be applied to all Community vessels of a specified length. During the debate, delegations addressed the following main issues: the extent of the Community financial contribution, and the type and length of vessels to which the system should apply. In conclusion, the Council instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to continue examination of the Proposal with a view to its adoption at the next session of the Fisheries Council in November. ?

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The draft report was adopted.?

Continuous monitoring system using satellite communications for Community fishing vessels (amend. regul. 2847/93/EEC)

Parliament adopted the report by Mr Dominique Souchet (NI, F) on the proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy, and on the proposal amending the same Regulation as regards the deadline for a Council Decision on a continuous position monitoring system using satellite communications for Community fishing vessels. Parliament recommended the establishment, no later than 1 January 1999, of a satellite-based vessel monitoring system (VMS) for vessels fishing species declared 'sensitive'. It considered that the management committee should be delegated the task of updating the list of such species. In addition, the VMS should apply to all vessels exceeding 18 metres in overall length, instead of the 15 metres proposed by the Commission. Parliament also proposed, with the aim of ensuring fairness as between fishermen from the Member States and those of third countries, imposing strict reciprocity of the rules for the vessels of third countries fishing in European waters. Parliament also called for a budget to be set up at the level of the European Union to make continuous monitoring by satellite generally applicable by covering the necessary outlay and the cost of replacement. Finally, the Member States should impose fair sanctions for failure to comply with the Regulation and fraud in respect of fishing effort, for each vessel concerned. ?

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OBJECTIVE: amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 as regards the deadline for the Council Decision on a continuous position monitoring system using satellite communications for Community fishing vessels. - COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EEC) No 2489/96. SUBSTANCE: under the proposal, the Council will decide before 1 January 1997 to what extent and when a continuous position monitoring system using satellite communications is to be introduced for Community fishing vessels. DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE: 27 December 1996 ?