

# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1997/0035(CNS)	Procedure completed
EC-Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st December 1996 to 30 November 1999		
Subject 3.15.15.03 Fisheries agreements with Indian Ocean countries		
Geographical area Mauritius		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>PECH</b> Fisheries		20/03/1997
		UPE <a href="#">GALLAGHER Pat the Cope</a>	
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		20/03/1997
	<b>DEVE</b> Development and Cooperation	PSE <a href="#">JÖNS Karin</a>	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Social Affairs	<a href="#">2030</a>	07/10/1997
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">2006</a>	20/05/1997

Key events			
14/02/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0043	Summary
07/04/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/06/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
23/06/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0229/1997</a>	
14/07/1997	Debate in Parliament		
15/07/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0368/1997	Summary
07/10/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
07/10/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		

11/10/1997

Final act published in Official Journal

**Technical information**

Procedure reference	1997/0035(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/4/08740

**Documentation gateway**

Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0043	14/02/1997	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0229/1997</a> <a href="#">OJ C 286 22.09.1997, p. 0007</a>	23/06/1997	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0368/1997 <a href="#">OJ C 286 22.09.1997, p. 0022-0040</a>	15/07/1997	EP	Summary

**Additional information**

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

[Regulation 1997/1975](#)  
[OJ L 278 11.10.1997, p. 0003](#) Summary

## EC-Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st December 1996 to 30 November 1999

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of a new fisheries protocol between the Community and Mauritius, establishing the technical and financial conditions under which Community fishing vessels can fish in Mauritius waters in the period 1 December 1996 to 30 November 1999. SUBSTANCE: The protocol which was initialled on 26 November 1996 provides for the following fishing opportunities, which can be increased if necessary by the Joint Committee which manages the Protocol: - licences for 43 ocean-going tuna seiners; - licences for 100GRT/month on an annual average for vessels fishing by line (except tuna trollers and tuna surface longliners which may be granted licences on a case by case basis). In compensation Mauritius will receive: - financial compensation of ECU 1 218 750 payable in three annual instalments for a catch weight of 7 500 tonnes of tuna fished per year. In excess of this tonnage, additional compensation of ECU 50 shall be paid for each additional tonne caught; - a contribution of ECU 418 000 towards the financing of scientific and technical programmes for fisheries development; - awards for study and practical training for its fishermen up to ECU 110 000 over five years. Of this amount up to ECU 30 000 may be used by the Mauritian authorities to cover the cost of attending international meetings relating to fisheries. The annex to the protocol contains the conditions for the pursuit of fishing activities by Community vessels in the waters of Mauritius ( in particular, licence application and issuing formalities, validity of licences, requirement to take on board Mauritian observers to check catches, fishing zones, radio communication and reporting on catches). ?

## EC-Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st December 1996 to 30 November 1999

The draft report is adopted. ?

## EC-Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st December 1996 to 30

## November 1999

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By adopting the report by Mr Pat the Cope GALLAGHER (UPE, IRL), the European Parliament approved the conclusion of the fisheries agreement between the Union and Mauritius (1 December 1996 - 30 November 1999). The European Parliament called in particular for the Community to undertake to play an active part in the management and conservation of the Indian Ocean's fish stocks, particularly with regard to the work of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission. It also called on the Commission, in the course of the last year of the Protocol's application, and before the start of negotiations on its possible renewal, to submit to the Council and European Parliament a general assessment report on its application. On the basis of that report and taking account of the European Parliament's opinion thereon, it wished the Council to authorize the Commission to start negotiations with a view to the adoption of a new Protocol.?

## EC-Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st December 1996 to 30 November 1999

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**OBJECTIVE:** to conclude a new fisheries protocol between the European Community and Mauritius, establishing the technical and financial conditions under which Community fishing vessels can fish in Mauritius waters in the period 1 December 1996 to 30 November 1999.  
**COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Regulation (EC) No 1975/97 on the conclusion of the Protocol fixing, for the period 1 December 1996 to 30 November 1999, the fishing opportunities and the financial consideration provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of Mauritius on fishing in Mauritian waters  
**CONTENT:** the protocol provides for the following fishing opportunities, which can be increased if necessary by the Joint Committee which manages the Protocol: - licences for 43 ocean-going tuna seiners; - licences for 100GRT/month on an annual average for vessels fishing by line (except tuna trollers and tuna surface longliners, which may be granted licences on a case by case basis). In compensation Mauritius will receive: - financial compensation of ECU 1 218 750 for a catch weight of 7 500 tonnes of tuna fished per year. In excess of this tonnage, additional compensation of ECU 50 will be paid for each additional tonne caught; - a contribution of ECU 418 000 towards the financing of scientific and technical programmes for fisheries development; - awards for study and practical training for Mauritian fishermen of ECU 110 000. Of this amount, ECU 30 000 may be used by the Mauritian authorities to cover the cost of attending international meetings relating to fisheries. The Annex to the Protocol contains the conditions for the pursuit of fishing activities by Community vessels in the waters of Mauritius (licence issuing formalities, validity of licences, taking observers on board, fishing zones etc.).  
**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** the Regulation will enter into force on 14 October 1997; the Protocol will only enter into force once all the parties have made the necessary notifications.?