# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1997/0248(CNS)	Procedure completed
Aid to shipbuilding: prolongation of the 7th directive to the 31/12/98 Amending Regulation (EC) No 3094/95 <u>1995/0219(CNS)</u>		
Subject 2.60.03 State aids and interventions 3.40.04 Shipbuilding, nautical industry		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy		29/10/1997
		PSE SINDAL Niels	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	RELA External Economic Relations		Appointed
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Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Fisheries	2063	19/12/1997
	Industry	2043	13/11/1997

Key events			
01/10/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0469	Summary
20/10/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
13/11/1997	Debate in Council	2043	
26/11/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
26/11/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<u>A4-0377/1997</u>	
16/12/1997	Debate in Parliament		
17/12/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0621/1997	Summary
19/12/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
19/12/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		
23/12/1997	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1997/0248(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amending Regulation (EC) No 3094/95 1995/0219(CNS)
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 113; EC before Amsterdam E 092-p3; EC before Amsterdam E 094
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/4/09405

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0469	01/10/1997	EC	Summary	
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Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0621/1997 OJ C 014 19.01.1998, p. 0052-0068	17/12/1997	EP	Summary	

#### Additional information

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#### Final act

Regulation 1997/2600 OJ L 351 23.12.1997, p. 0018 Summary

## Aid to shipbuilding: prolongation of the 7th directive to the 31/12/98

OBJECTIVE: to amend Regulation (EC) No 3094/95 and to extend the application of the relevant provisions of the seventh Council Directive on aid to shipbuilding. CONTENT: given the uncertainty surrounding the entry into force of the OECD Agreement on normal competitive conditions in the commercial shipbuilding and repair industry and the fact that it may be postponed until after 31 December 1997, the Council must take the measures needed pending a decision on a new regime for aid to shipbuilding. The Commission therefore proposes to extend the application of the current European rules on aid to shipbuilding, which were due to expire by 31 December 1998.?

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The Committee adopted the report by Mr. Niels SINDAL (PES, DK) approving the proposal for a Council Regulation on further prolonging the relevant provisions of the Seventh Council Directive on aid to Shipbuilding. This proposal aims at extending the time frame for the Seventh Council Directive on Aid to Shipbuilding until 31 December 1998, due to the failure of the US to ratify an OECD agreement on aid to shipbuilding. This extension will lapse if the US ratifies the OECD agreement or a new shipbuilding regime is adopted. Under the OECD agreement all support measures are generally prohibited, and if ratified it will apply the same rules on aid to most of the world's shipbuilding industries, representing thus an important step forward in the creation of a level playing field. Should the OECD agreement fail to be ratified, any further prolongation of the Seventh Directive would need parliamentary approval. Whatever the outcome of the OECD ratification, the Commission should control as closely as possible any support given to the shipbuilding industry, the rapporteur underlined. The policy of the EU should remain to support a competitive industry through the creation of a level playing field for competition within the framework of the OECD agreement. ?

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Community measures in force until 31 December 1998. The reason for the extension is based on the fact that the United States has not yet ratified the OECD agreement on aid to shipbuilding. According to this agreement all aid measures would be prohibited in most cases. ?

#### Aid to shipbuilding: prolongation of the 7th directive to the 31/12/98

OBJECTIVE: to amend Regulation (EC) No 3094/95 and extend the application of the relevant provisions of the '7th Council Directive' on aid to shipbuilding (Directive 90/684/EEC). COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 2600/97 amending Regulation (EC) No 3094/95 on aid to shipbuilding. SUBSTANCE: the Council, acting by a qualified majority, with Sweden and Finland voting against, again extended the application of the provisions of Directive 90/684/EEC on aid to shipbuilding. The Directive will therefore remain applicable until the entry into force of the OECD Agreement respecting normal competitive conditions in the commercial shipbuilding and repair industry, and not later than 31/12/1998. DATE D'ENTRY INTO FORCE: 23/12/1997. ?