


Procedure file

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EC/Cape Verde fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000	
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Key players			
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	PECH Fisheries		22/07/1997
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European Parliament	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		23/09/1997
		PSE JÖNS Karin	
	DEVE Development and Cooperation		
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	Agriculture and Fisheries	2065	20/01/1998

Key events			
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28/10/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
28/10/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0363/1997	
06/11/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
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21/11/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0594/1997	Summary
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20/01/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information	
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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
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Additional information	
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Regulation 1998/200 OJ L 021 28.01.1998, p. 0001 Summary

EC/Cape Verde fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000

OBJECTIVE: Under the fisheries agreement between the Community and Cape Verde, the fishing opportunities open to Community vessels and the financial compensation granted in exchange to Cape Verde are the subject of periodically renewed Protocols. The last Protocol expired on 5 September 1997, and the new Protocol seeks its renewal for the period 6 September 1997-5 September 2000. SUBSTANCE: The fishing opportunities opened under the Protocol chiefly concern Spanish, French and Portuguese fishermen. The proposed Regulation allocates fishing opportunities among the three fleets: licences for, respectively, 27 French vessels, 38 Spanish vessels and 11 Portuguese vessels. If licence applications from those Member States do not exhaust the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol, licence applications from other Member States may be considered. With particular reference to the Protocol, the fishing opportunities provided for are allocated as follows: - licences for freezer tuna seiners: 37 vessels; - licences for pole-and-line tuna vessels: 10 vessels; - surface longliners: 26 vessels; - bottom longliners; 3 vessels (not more than 210 GRT per vessel). In exchange, Cape Verde is granted a financial compensation of ECU 1.086.000 covering a catch weight of 5000 tonnes of tuna per year. Beyond this quantity, the amount of financial compensation is proportionately increased. The Community also contributes to the financing of Cape Verde scientific and technical fisheries development programmes for a total amount of ECU 267.440 and the financing of scholarships and training courses for Cape Verde fishermen not exceeding ECU 178.300. The Annex to the Protocol lays down conditions for the issue of licences and the obligations of Community vessels regarding fishing activities (catch statements and landing, fisheries areas, mesh sizes, etc.).?

EC/Cape Verde fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000

The Committee adopted the report of Mr Honorio NOVO (GUE/NGL) on the fisheries agreement with the Republic of Cape Verde. The report stressed the need for the European Parliament to be better informed, especially on fishery resources, by the presentation of a report from the Commission before the Protocol expired. ?

EC/Cape Verde fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000

In adopting the report of Mr Honorio NOVO (GUE/NGL, P), Parliament approved the conclusion of the new Protocol on Fisheries between the European Community and the Republic of Cape Verde and at the same time requested that during the final year of application of this Protocol (and before the commencement of negotiations on its possible renewal) the Commission submit to Parliament and to the Council a report presenting the impact of the Protocol in terms of fishery resources and the financing of the scientific activities provided for under the Protocol. It also called for information from the budgetary authority to be improved as far as the fishing agreements are concerned, in accordance with the joint declaration of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission of 12 December 1996. ?

EC/Cape Verde fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000

OBJECTIVE: to provide fishing opportunities open to Community vessels and financial compensation granted in exchange to Cape Verde, in accordance with a new EEC-Cape Verde fishing agreement for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Regulation (EC) no. 200/98 establishing the fishing rights and financial compensation provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cape Verde on fishing off the coast of Cape Verde for the period from 6 September 1997 to 5 September 2000. **CONTENTS:** the fishing opportunities opened under the Protocol chiefly concern Spanish, French and Portuguese fishermen. The Regulation defines the key for allocating fishing possibilities between these three fleets by type of vessel and licenses have been granted for: -27 French vessels, -38 Spanish vessels, -11 Portuguese vessels. If applications for licences from these Member States do not exhaust the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol, licence applications from other Member States may be considered. With particular reference to the Protocol, the fishing opportunities provided for are allocated as follows: -licences for freezer tuna seiners: 37 vessels; -licences for pole-and-line tuna vessels: 10 vessels; -licences for surface longliners: 26 vessels; -licences for bottom longliners: 3 vessels (not more than 210 GRT per vessel). In exchange, Cape Verde is granted financial compensation of ECU 1 086 000 covering a catch weight of 5 000 tonnes of tuna per year. Beyond this quantity, the amount of financial compensation is proportionately increased. The Community also contributes to the financing of Cape Verde scientific and technical fisheries development programmes for a total amount of ECU 267 440 and the financing of scholarships and training courses for Cape Verde fishermen not exceeding ECU 178 300. The Annex to the Protocol lays down conditions for the issue of licences and the obligations of Community vessels regarding fishing activities (catch statements and landing, fisheries areas, mesh sizes etc.). **ENTRY INTO FORCE:** the Regulation enters into force on 31 January 1998; the Protocol will only enter into force once the parties have notified each other of the necessary procedures. ?