

Procedure file

Basic information	
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Fisheries sector and resources: structural measures and sustainable development, FIGG Amending Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 1998/0347(CNS)	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	PECH Fisheries	ELDR ATTWOOLL Elspeth	11/07/2001
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
Council of the European Union	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	RETT Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
European Commission	General Affairs	2406	28/01/2002
	Fisheries	2400	17/12/2001
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	Commission DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries	Commissioner	

Key events			
14/06/2001	Legislative proposal published	COM(2001)0322	Summary
18/06/2001	Debate in Council	2359	
05/07/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
09/10/2001	Vote in committee		
09/10/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0316/2001	
	Debate in Parliament		

25/10/2001			
25/10/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0578/2001	Summary
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28/01/2002	End of procedure in Parliament		
01/02/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amending Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999 1998/0347(CNS)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 036; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/5/14876

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2001)0322	14/06/2001	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0316/2001	09/10/2001	EP	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES1319/2001 OJ C 036 08.02.2002, p. 0051	17/10/2001	ESC	
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Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Regulation 2002/179 OJ L 031 01.02.2002, p. 0025-0027 Summary
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Fisheries sector and resources: structural measures and sustainable development, FIGG

PURPOSE : to amend certain provisions of the Financial Instrument for Fisheries Guidance (FIGG). CONTENT : in a recent communication to the Council, the Commission regretted the inadequacy of the the existing measures to contain fishing effort under the fourth generation of multiannual guidance programmes (MAGP IV). This situation, which can be considered a weakness of the CFP, must be rectified by courageous and effective measures. The Commission presents a proposal for the prolongation of one year, that is until 31 December 2002, of the Decision currently in force, thus also prolonging by one year the MAGP IV (refer to CNS/2001/0128). It also proposes to modify the FIGG Regulation by introducing new constraints, namely: - The granting of aid for constructions and modernisation to be made conditional upon the respect of the MAGP objectives in all segments, not only in the segment concerned. - The deletion of provision in Article 6 allowing an increase in the MAGP objectives on the grounds of safety, navigation, hygiene, product quality and working conditions. - The prohibition of aid for constructions and modernisation in any segment where activity reductions are being implemented as a means of achieving MAGP objectives. If the profitability of the fleet is such that decommission grants are not sufficiently attractive there is no justification to use public aid to renew the vessels in the segment. - The prohibition of awarding public aid allowing for the transfer of vessels to third countries that have

been identified by the relevant fisheries organisations as countries that permit fishing "in a manner which jeopardises the effectiveness of international conservation measures." A final change to the FIG Regulation concerns Article 16.2, where the possibility of granting financial compensation to cover the costs of technical restrictions is extended to such restrictions imposed by any Community legislation, not just to those imposed by Council Decision.?

Fisheries sector and resources: structural measures and sustainable development, FIG

The European Parliament adopted the proposal on structural assistance in the fisheries sector with a number of non-binding amendments. The House takes the view that as the Common Fisheries Policy is due for a major overhaul next year, there is no point in introducing far reaching changes at this stage, especially as these could have an adverse effect on maritime safety. The amendments made to the report by Mrs Elspeth ATTWOOLL (ELDR, UK) therefore seek to delete certain provisions in the proposal.?

Fisheries sector and resources: structural measures and sustainable development, FIG

PURPOSE : to lay down the detailed rules and arrangements regarding Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector. **COMMUNITY MEASURE :** Council Regulation 179/2002/EC amending Regulation 2792/1999/EC laying down the detailed rules and arrangements regarding Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector. **CONTENT :** the Council adopted a Regulation amending Regulation 2792/1999/EC laying down the detailed rules and arrangements regarding Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector. This Regulation provides, for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2002, for reinforcement of the condition for withdrawal connected with the introduction of new capacities in those segments in which the annual objectives have not yet been respected. It also reinforces international action to prevent and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing by ruling out public aid for the permanent transfer of fishing vessels to certain third countries which have been identified by the relevant regional fisheries organisations as countries that permit fishing in a manner which jeopardises the effectiveness of international conservation measures. The Member States may grant financial compensation to fishermen and owners of vessels where Community legislation imposes technical restrictions on the use of certain gear or fishing methods. This aid is intended to cover the technical adjustment and may not be paid for more than six months. **ENTRY INTO FORCE :** 04.02.2002.?