

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	2001/0240(CNS)	Procedure completed
EC/Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 16 June 2001 to 15 June 2006		
Subject 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries		
Geographical area Guinea-Bissau		

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed	
	PECH Fisheries		03/09/2001	
		PPE-DE CUNHA Arlindo		
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed	
	BUDG Budgets		17/10/2001	
		PSE DÜHRKOP DÜHRKOP Bárbara		
	DEVE Development and Cooperation		17/10/2001	
		GUE/NGL MIRANDA Joaquim		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date	
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2404	21/01/2002	
	Research	2398	10/12/2001	
European Commission	Commission DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries	Commissioner		

Key events			
05/10/2001	Legislative proposal published	COM(2001)0530	Summary
15/11/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
27/11/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
27/11/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0425/2001	
11/12/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0659/2001	Summary
21/01/2002	Act adopted by Council after consultation		

	of Parliament		
21/01/2002	End of procedure in Parliament		
12/02/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2001/0240(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/5/15283

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(2001)0530 OJ C 025 29.01.2002, p. 0478 E	05/10/2001	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0425/2001	27/11/2001	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T5-0659/2001 OJ C 177 25.07.2002, p. 0032-0058 E	11/12/2001	EP	Summary

Final act

[Regulation 2002/249](#)
[OJ L 040 12.02.2002, p. 0001-0002](#) Summary

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PURPOSE: To extend the Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement between the EU and Guinea-Bissau. **CONTENT:** The Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement signed between the European Union and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau expired on 15 June 2001. A new Protocol in which the technical and financial conditions are fixed was signed in May 2001. The new Protocol is to cover the period of 16 June 2001 to 15 June 2006. The Commission therefore proposes that the Council adopt this Regulation setting out the conditions of the Protocol as agreed by the two parties. A proposal for a Council Decision on the provisional application of the new protocol pending its definitive entry into force is the subject of a separate procedure. The new Protocol which was initialled by both parties on 30 May 2001 provides for fishing opportunities comprising 12 400 GRT for trawler fishing (200 GRT less than under the previous Protocol, or -1.5%), divided into 9 600 GRT for shrimp fishing and 2 800 GRT for fin-fish and cephalopods. For tuna, fishing opportunities for tuna seiners have increased from 37 to 40 vessels (+8%), while those for pole-and-line tuna vessels and surface longliners have decreased from 52 to 36 vessels (-30%). Under the new Protocol (2001-06), the Community will pay total compensation of EUR 51 million (over five years): EUR 10 million in the first three years and EUR 10.5 million in the final two years, as against EUR 9 million per year under the 1997-2001 Protocol. ?

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The committee adopted the report by Arlindo CUNHA (EPP-ED, P) approving the proposal under the consultation procedure subject to a few amendments. In view of the financial and social importance of targeted measures, which had been given a new emphasis under the Protocol, the committee wanted the Commission to forward to Parliament and the Council the annual report on targeted measures which the Guinea-Bissau authorities were now required to provide. Moreover, before the start of negotiations to renew the Protocol, the committee wanted the Commission to submit to Parliament and the Council a report on the implementation of the Agreement, including a cost benefit analysis. ?

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The European Parliament, using its procedure without debate, adopted the report of Arlindo CUNHA (EPP/ED, Portugal), making some amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please refer to the previous document).?

EC/Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 16 June 2001 to 15 June 2006

PURPOSE : to conclude the new Protocol of the fishing Agreement between the EC and Guinea-Bissau. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Regulation 2002/249/EC on the conclusion of the Protocol establishing the fishing opportunities and the compensation provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau on fishing off the coast of Guinea-Bissau for the period 16 June 2001 to 15 June 2006. **CONTENT** : the Council adopted a regulation concerning the application of the Protocol setting for the period 16 June 2001 to 15 June 2006, fishing opportunities and the compensation provided in the Agreement. The new Protocol which was initialled by both parties on 30 May 2001 provides for fishing opportunities comprising 12 400 GRT for trawler fishing (200 GRT less than under the previous Protocol, or -1.5%), divided into 9 600 GRT for shrimp fishing and 2 800 GRT for fin-fish and cephalopods. For tuna, fishing opportunities for tuna seiners have increased from 37 to 40 vessels (+8%), while those for pole-and-line tuna vessels and surface longliners have decreased from 52 to 36 vessels (-30%). Under the new Protocol (2001-06), the Community will pay total compensation of EUR 51 million (over five years): EUR 10 million in the first three years and EUR 10.5 million in the final two years, as against EUR 9 million per year under the 1997-2001 Protocol. The Regulation identifies the fishing opportunities provided for in the Protocol for Italy, Spain, Portugal and Greece. If licence applications from the Member States do not cover all the fishing opportunities fixed by the Protocol, the Commission may consider licence applications from any other Member State. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 13/02/02.?