

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	2006/0065(CNS)	Procedure completed
EC/ Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: extension of the protocol for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007		
Subject 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries		
Geographical area Guinea-Bissau		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	PECH Fisheries		04/07/2006
		PSE CAPOULAS SANTOS Luis Manuel	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	DEVE Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	2753	10/10/2006
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	2741	11/07/2006
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Maritime Affairs and Fisheries	BORG Joe	

Key events			
28/04/2006	Legislative proposal published	COM(2006)0182	Summary
13/06/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/09/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
14/09/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0271/2006	
27/09/2006	Results of vote in Parliament		
27/09/2006	Decision by Parliament	T6-0374/2006	Summary
	Act adopted by Council after consultation		

10/10/2006	of Parliament		
10/10/2006	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/10/2006	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2006/0065(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p3-a1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/6/36196

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(2006)0182	28/04/2006	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	PE376.421	12/07/2006	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0271/2006	14/09/2006	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T6-0374/2006	27/09/2006	EP	Summary

Additional information

National parliaments	IPEX
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act

[Regulation 2006/1491](#)
[OJ L 279 11.10.2006, p. 0001-0002](#) Summary

EC/ Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: extension of the protocol for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007

PURPOSE :to conclude the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters concerning the extension of the Protocol establishing the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the EEC and the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau on fishing off the coast of Guinea-Bissau for the period 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Regulation.

CONTENT : the Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau expired on 15 June 2006. This proposal concerns the provisional application of the extension of the Protocol for one more year, until 15 June 2007.

The two parties agreed in December 2005 to extend this Agreement and to implement the action programme to support the control and inspection required for the sustainable development of the fisheries sector. The two parties agreed to extend the Protocol for one year, from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007. This extension, in the form of an Exchange of Letters, was initialled by the parties on 17 January 2006, and sets out the technical and financial conditions governing the fishing activities of EC vessels in the waters of Guinea-Bissau for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007.

The Commission proposes, on this basis, that the Council adopt the Regulation on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters extending the Protocol. A proposal for a Council Decision on the provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an

Exchange of Letters extending the Protocol pending its final entry into force is the subject of a separate procedure.

The fishing opportunities set out in the Protocol are allocated to Member States as follows:

a) shrimps:

- § Italy 1776 GRT;
- § Spain 1421 GRT;
- § Portugal 1066 GRT;
- § Greece 137 GRT;

b) fin-fish/cephalopods:

- § Spain 3143 GRT;
- § Italy 786 GRT;
- § Greece 471 GRT;

c) tuna seiners:

- § Spain 20 vessels ;
- § France 19 vessels ;
- § Italy 1 vessel;

d) surface longliners and pole-and-line vessels:

- § Spain 21 vessels;
- § France 5 vessels;
- § Portugal 4 vessels.

For further information concerning the financial implications of this measure, please refer to the financial statement.

EC/ Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: extension of the protocol for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007

The committee adopted the report by Luis Manuel CAPOULAS SANTOS (PES, PT) approving unamended - under the consultation procedure - the proposed Agreement extending the fishing protocol between the EEC and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

EC/ Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: extension of the protocol for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007

The European Parliament adopted by 507 votes in favour to 66 against with 71 abstentions a report drafted by Luis Manuel CAPOULAS SANTOS (PES, PT) approving the proposed Agreement extending the fishing protocol between the EEC and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

EC/ Guinea-Bissau fisheries agreement: extension of the protocol for the period from 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007

PURPOSE: to extend the Protocol establishing fishing opportunities and the Community financial contribution on a fishing Agreement between the EU and the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Regulation 1491/2006/EC on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters concerning the extension of the Protocol establishing the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Republic of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau on fishing off the coast of Guinea-Bissau for the period 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007.

CONTENT: the existing Protocol between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau is approved by Council Regulation 249/2002/EC and as amended by Regulation 829/2004/EC. Both parties have now decided to extend the validity of the Protocol by one year, covering the period 16 June 2006 to 15 June 2007. The fishing opportunities set out in the Protocol are as follows:

Shrimps:

- Italy: 1 776 GRT (gross registered tonnage)
- Spain: 1 421 GRT
- Portugal: 1 066 GRT
- Greece: 137 GRT

Fin-fish/ cephalopods:

- Spain: 3 143 GRT
- Italy: 786 GRT
- Greece: 471 GRT

Tuna seiners:

- Spain: 20 vessels
- France: 19 vessels
- Italy: 1 vessel

Surface longliners and pole-and-line vessels:

- Spain: 21 vessels
- France: 5 vessels
- Portugal: 4 vessels.

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. The Member State whose vessels fish in accordance with this Agreement need to notify the Commission of the quantities of each stock caught within the fishing zone of Guinea-Bissau.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 14 October 2006.