


Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1994/0215(CNS) Procedure completed
EC/Denmark/Greenland fisheries agreement: 3rd protocol	
Subject 3.15.15.08 Fisheries agreements with Northern and Baltic countries	
Geographical area Denmark Greenland	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	PECH Fisheries		24/10/1994
		PPE LANGENHAGEN Brigitte	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	JURI Legal Affairs, Citizens' Rights		26/07/1994
		PSE GEBHARDT Evelyne	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Fisheries	1821	19/12/1994

Key events			
26/09/1994	Legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0393	Summary
24/10/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/11/1994	Vote in committee		Summary
15/11/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0074/1994	
18/11/1994	Debate in Parliament		
18/11/1994	Decision by Parliament	T4-0161/1994	Summary
19/12/1994	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
19/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/12/1994	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1994/0215(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 043; EC before Amsterdam E 228-p3-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/06070

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1994)0393 OJ C 287 15.10.1994, p. 0011	26/09/1994	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0074/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0015	15/11/1994	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0161/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0204-0261	18/11/1994	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Regulation 1994/3354 OJ L 351 31.12.1994, p. 0001 Summary

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This proposal for a regulation aimed to conclude a third fisheries protocol between the Community, on the one hand, and Denmark and the local government of Greenland on the other for the period from 1 January 1995 to 31 December 2000. This protocol significantly improved the content of the previous protocol, whose implementation had not been entirely satisfactory for Community fishermen (low stocks and lack of interest on the part of EC fishermen in the fish in that region). The fishing quotas had thus been revised in order to give greater consideration to the situation of resources and the interest of Community fishermen. Moreover, joint enterprises (or other fisheries joint ventures) were provided for in order to promote fishing in the region. Measures were also included to provide greater flexibility in terms of the methods of catching the main fish species. The protocol laid down the fishing quotas by species (Western and Eastern stocks) as well as the financial compensation applicable for the period for which the protocol was valid (ECU 37 700 000 per year), which could vary depending on annual catches. Further, an additional ECU 6 000 000 was provided to promote the establishment of temporary joint ventures in the fisheries sector. ?

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The committee decided on its previous meeting to postpone the vote on the Greenland Agreement in order to wait for the opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee. The reason for the delay, lay not in the substance of the accord, but rather in the challenge which the Fisheries Committee had made to the Commission's chosen legal base for the agreement. The Commission had proposed Article 43 of the EC Treaty in conjunction with Article 228, para 3, indent 1, requiring only the simple consultation of Parliament. The committee, however, proposed instead indent 2 which requires the Assent procedure and would give Parliament the final say over the agreement. The committee's argument that the change was justified by the fact that the agreement carried with it 'significant budgetary implications', was accepted unanimously by the Legal Affairs Committee. Members therefore adopted Mrs LANGENHAGEN'S report with an amendment to change the legal base of the Commission's proposal. The debate and vote in plenary will take place on Friday 18 November, where if this amendment to the legal base is accepted by the House, the President of Parliament will call on the Commission and Council to agree to the change. If they do, the vote will be suspended until the session in Brussels on 30 November, where it will be carried out according to the Assent procedure. If the Commission and/or the Council reject the legal change, the vote will continue on 18/11/94 according to the consultation procedure, but Parliament will reserve for itself the right to take the matter before the Court of Justice. ?

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Parliament gave its assent to the conclusion of the agreement. This procedure had been initiated following the adoption of an amendment aimed at modifying the legal basis of the proposal. This amendment involved replacing Article 43, in conjunction with the first subparagraph of Article 228(3), with the second subparagraph of Article 228(3). The Commission did not give its opinion on this amendment. ?

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This proposal for a regulation was adopted by the Council of Ministers. The President of the Council would appoint the persons authorised to sign this protocol on behalf of the Community. The regulation would enter into force on 1 January 1995. ?