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(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

In accordance with the Framework Agreement on Fisheries, consultations between the Community and the Faroe Islands were held in Torshavn on 30-31 October 1989 and resulted in an agreement on reciprocal fisheries arrangements for 1990 concerning the fishing rights of each Party in the zone of the other.

The purpose of this proposal for a Regulation is therefore to authorize Faroese vessels to fish, as from 1 January 1990, the quotas allocated to them in Community waters for 1990 in accordance with the abovementioned arrangements. To prevent any interruption of reciprocal fisheries relations between the Community and the Faroe Islands, the proposed Regulation must be adopted by the end of this year at the latest.

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

laying down for 1990 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels registered in the Faroe Islands

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 170/83 of 25 January 1983 establishing a Community system for the conservation and management of fishery resources (1), as amended by the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal (2), and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 2 of the Agreement on fisheries between the European Economic Community, of the one part, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands, of the other part (3), the Community and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands have held consultations concerning their mutual fishing rights for 1989;

Whereas, in the course of these consultations, the delegations agreed to recommend to their respective authorities that certain catch quotas for 1989 should be fixed for the vessels of the other party;

Whereas measures should be taken to implement the results of these consultations between the Community and the Faroe Islands and thus prevent any interruption of mutual fisheries relations as at 31 December 1988;

Whereas, under the terms of Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 170/83, it is for the Council to fix the total catches allocated to third countries and to lay down the specific conditions under which such catches may be taken;

Whereas the fishing activities covered by this Regulation are subject to the relevant control measures provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2241/87 of 23 July 1987 establishing certain control measures for fishing activities (4); as amended by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3483/88 of 7 November 1988 (5);

Whereas Article 3 (2) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1381/87 of 20 May 1987 establishing detailed rules concerning the marking and documentation of fishing vessels (6) provides that all vessels with chilled or refrigerated sea-water tanks are to keep on board a document certified by a competent authority and specifying the calibration of the tanks in cubic metres at 10-cm intervals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Vessels registered in the Faroe Islands are hereby authorized, until 31 December 1990, to fish for the species listed in Annex I, within the geographical and quantitative limits laid down therein and in accordance with this Regulation, in the 200-nautical-mile fishing zone of the Member States in the North Sea, Skagerrak, Kattegat, Baltic Sea and Atlantic Ocean north of 43°00'N.

2. Fishing authorized under paragraph 1 shall be limited, except in the Skagerrak, to those parts of the 200-nautical-mile fishing zone lying seawards of 12 nautical miles from the baselines from which the fishing zones of Member States are measured.

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, unavoidable by-catches of species for which no quota has been fixed in a given zone shall be permitted within the limits laid down by the conservation measures in force in the zone concerned.

4. By-catches in a given zone of a species for which a quota is established in that zone shall be counted against the quota concerned.

Article 2

1. Vessels fishing within the quotas fixed in Article 1 shall comply with the conservation and control measures and all other provisions governing fishing in the zones referred to in that Article.

(1) OJ No L 24, 27. 1. 1983, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 302, 15. 11. 1985, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 226, 29. 8. 1980, p. 12.
(4) OJ No L 207, 29. 7. 1987, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L306, 11.11.1988, p. 2.

(6) OJ No L 132, 21. 5. 1987, p. 9.

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2. The vessels referred to in paragraph 1 shall keep a log book in which the information set out in Annex II shall be entered.

3. The vessels referred to in paragraph 1 shall transmit to the Commission, in accordance with the rules laid down in Annex III, the information set out in that Annex.

4. Those vessels referred to in paragraph 1 which have chilled or refrigerated sea-water tanks shall keep on board a document certified by a competent authority and specifying the calibration of the tanks in cubic metres at 10 centimetre intervals.

5. The registration letters and numbers of the vessels referred to in paragraph 1 must be clearly marked on the bow of each vessel on both sides.

Article 3

1. Fishing in the waters referred to in Article 1 and within the quotas fixed in that Article shall be permitted only where a licence issued by the Commission on behalf of the Community is kept on board and where the conditions set out in the licence are observed.

2. Licences shall be issued for the purposes of paragraph 1 provided that the number of licences valid on any one day does not exceed:

(a) 14 for the fishing of mackerel in ICES divisions VI a (north of 56°30'N), VII e, f and h, sprat in ICES sub-area IV and division VI a (north of 56°30'N), horse mackerel in ICES sub-area IV and divisions VI a (north of 56°30'N), VII e, f and h and herring in ICES division VI a (north of 56°30'N); 4 for the fishing of herring in ICES division III a N (Skagerrak);

(b) 15 for the fishing of Norway pout in ICES sub-area IV and division VI a (north of 56°30'N) and sand eel in ICES sub-area IV;

(c) 20 for the fishing, by long-line, of ling, tusk and blue ling in ICES divisions VI a (north of 56°30'N) and VI b; however, the total number of vessels allowed to fish simultaneously shall not exceed 10;

(d) 16 for the fishing, by trawl, of blue ling in ICES divisions VI a (north of 56°30'N) and VI b;

(e) 20 for the fishing of blue whiting in ICES sub-area VII (west of 12°00'W) and ICES divisions VI a (north of 56°30'N) and VI b;

(f) 3 for the fishing, by long-line, of porbeagle in the whole Community zone with the exception of NAFO 3 PS.

3. Each licence shall be valid for one vessel only. Where two or more vessels are taking part in the same fishing operation, each vessel must be in possession of a licence.

4. Licences may be cancelled with a view to the issue of new licences. Such cancellations shall take effect on the day before the date of issue of the new licences by the Commission. New licences shall take effect from their date of issue.

5. Licences shall be wholly or partially withdrawn before the date of expiry if the respective quotas, fixed in Article 1, have been exhausted.

6. Licences shall be withdrawn in the event of any failure to meet the obligations laid down in this Regulation.

7. For a period not exceeding 12 months, no licence shall be issued for any vessel in respect of which the obligations laid down in this Regulation have not been met.

8. Licences issued pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 4199/88 (1) and valid on 31 December 1989 shall remain valid until 31 March 1990 at the latest, if so requested by the Faroese authorities.

Article 4

When an application for a licence is submitted to the Commission, the following information must be supplied:.

(a) name of the vessel;

(b) registration number;

(c) external identification letters and numbers;

(d) port of registration;

(e) name and address of the owner or charterer;

(f) gross tonnage and overall length;

(g) engine power;

(h) call sign and radio frequency;

(i) intended method of fishing;

(j) intended area of fishing;

(k) species for which it is intended to fish;

(l) period for which a licence is requested.

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(1) OJ No L 369, 31.12.1988, p. 57.

Article 5

Fishing in the Skagerrak within the limits of the quotas referred to in Article 1 shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) direct fishing for herring for purposes other than human consumption shall be prohibited;

(2) the use of trawls and purse seines for the capture of pelagic species shall be prohibited from Saturday midnight to Sunday midnight.

Article 6

Where an infringement is duly established, Member States shall without delay inform the Commission of the name of the vessel concerned and of any action they have taken.

Article 7

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1990.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

ANNEX 1

Faroese catch quotas for 1990

1. Quotas for Faroese vessels fishing in the Community zone

SPECIES	Fishing zone: ICES-sub-area/division	Quantity (tonnes)
Ling, tusk and blue ling	VIa(1),VIb	800 (2)(3)
Blue ling	VIa(1),VIb	940 (4)
Mackerel	VIa(1),VIIe,f,h	5.250
Herring	VIa(1)	660
Horse mackerel	IV,VIa(1),VIIe,f,h	7.000
Norway pout	IV,VIa(1)	
Sprat	IV,VIa(1)	20.000 (5)
Sandeel	IV	
Blue whiting	VIa(1),VIb,VII(6)	62.000 (7)
Other white fish (by-catches only)	IV,VIa(1)	400
Herring	IIIaN (Skagerrak) (8)	500
Porbeagle	Entire Cty zone except NAFO 3 PS	125 (2)

(1) North of 56°30'N.
(2) To be fished by long line.
(3) Of which an incidental catch of other species of 20% per ship, at any moment, is authorized in ICES Divisions VIa and b. However, this percentage may be exceeded in the first 24 hours following the beginning of the fishing on a specific ground. The total incidental catch of other species in VIa and VIb may not exceed 75 tonnes.
(4) To be fished by trawl.
(5) The overall quota (including for Norway pout and sandeel, unavoidable by-catches of blue whiting) includes a maximum of 2.000 tonnes of sprat. A maximum of 6.000 t of Norway pout may be fished in ICES VIa north of 56°30'N subject to the provision on request by the EEC of details of the quantity and composition of any by-catch taken.
(6) West of 12°00'W.
(7) Catches of blue whiting may include unavoidable by-catches of argentine.
(8) Limited in the west by a line drawn from the lighthouse of Hanstholm to the lighthouse of Lindesnes and in the south by a line drawn from Skagen lighthouse to the lighthouse of Tistlarna and from there to the nearest coast of Sweden.

2. Quotas for Faroese vessels fishing in Greenland waters according to Article 1(3) of EEC/Greenland Fisheries Protocol (1) (shown for information only

Species	Fishing zones : ICES division or NAFO sub-area	Quantity (tonnes)
Northern deepwater prawn (Pandalus borealis)	NAFO 0/1 (2)	270
	XIV/V	880
Greenland halibut	NAFO 0/1	150
	XIV/V	150
Redfish	XIV/V	500
Capelin	XIV/V	10 000

(1) OJ N°
(2) South of 68°N

ANNEX II

When fishing within the 200-nautical-mile zone off the coasts of the Member States of the Community which is covered by Community rules on fisheries, the following details are to be entered in the logbook immediately after the following events :

1. after each haul
   1.1 the quantity (in kilograms live weight) of each species caught;
   1.2 the date and the time of the haul;
   1.3 the geographical position in which the catches were made;
   1.4 the fishing method used;

2. after each transhipment to or from another vessel
   2.1 the indication "received from" or "transfered to"
   2.2 the quantity (in kilogram live weight) of each species transhipped
   2.3 the name, external identification letters and numbers of the vessel to or from which the transhipment occurred;

3. after each landing in a port of the Community
   3.1 name of the port
   3.2 the quantity (in kilogram live weight) of each species landed

4. after each transmission of information to the Commission of the European Communities
   4.1 date and time of the transmission
   4.2 type of message : IN, OUT, ICES, WKL or 2 WKL
   4.3 in the case of radio transmission : name of the radio station

ANNEX III

1. The information to be transmitted to the Commission of the European Communities and the timetable for its transmission are as follows :

1.1. On each occasion the vessel enters the 200-nautical-mile zone off the coasts of the Member States of the Community which is covered by Community rules on fisheries :
   (a) the information specified under 1.5;
   (b) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species of fish in the hold;
   (c) the date and ICES division within which the master intends to commence fishing.

   Where the fishing operations necessitate more than one entry into the zone referred to under 1.1 on a given day, one communication shall suffice on first entry.

1.2. On each occasion the vessel leaves the zone referred to under 1.1 :
   (a) the information specified under 1.5;
   (b) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species of fish in the hold;
   (c) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species caught since the previous transmission;

(d) the ICES division in which the catches were taken;
(e) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species transferred to and/or from other vessels since the vessel entered the zone and the identification of the vessel to which the transfer was made;
(f) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species landed in a port of the Community since the vessel entered the zone.

Where the fishing operations necessitate more than one entry into the zones referred to under 1.1 on a given day, one single communication on the last exit will be sufficient.

1.3. At three-day intervals, commencing on the third day after the vessel first enters the zones referred to under 1.1 when fishing for herring and mackerel, and at weekly intervals, commencing on the seventh day after the vessel first enters the zone referred to under 1.1 when fishing for all species other than herring and mackerel :
(a) the information specified under 1.5;
(b) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species caught since the previous transmission;
(c) the ICES division in which the catches were made.

1.4. On each occasion the vessel moves from one ICES-division to another :
(a) the information specified under 1.5;
(b) the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species caught since the previous transmission;
(c) the ICES-division in which the catches have been taken.

1.5. (a) The name, call sign, external identification letters and numbers of the vessel and the name of its master;
(b) the licence number if the vessel is under licence;
(c) the serial number of the message for the voyage concerned;
(d) identification of the type of message;
(e) the date, the time and the geographical position of the vessel.

2.1. The information specified under point 1 shall be transmitted to the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels (telex 24 189 FISEU-B) via one of the radio stations listed under point 3 which is open for the service specified under point 4.

2.2. If it is impossible for reasons of *force majeure* for the message to be transmitted by the vessel, it may be transmitted on the vessel's behalf by another vessel.

3. *Name of radio station*	*Call sign of radio station*
Skagen	OXP
Blåvand	OXB
Rønne	OYE
Norddeich	DAF DAK
	DAH DAL
	DAI DAM
	DAJ DAN
Scheveningen	PCH
Oostende	OST
North Foreland	GNF
Humber	GKZ
Cullercoats	GCC
Wick	GKR
Portpatrick	GPK
Anglesey	GLV
Ilfracombe	GIL
Niton	GNI
Stonehaven	GND
Portishead	GKA
	GKB
	GKC
Land's End	GLD
Valentia	EJK
Malin Head	EJM
Boulogne	FFB
Brest	FFU
Saint-Nazaire	FFO
Bordeaux-Arcachon	FFC
Thorshavn	OXJ
Bergen	LGN
Farsund	LGZ
Florø	LGL
Rogaland	LGQ
Tjøme	LGT
Ålesund	LGA

4. *Form of the communications*

The information specified under point 1
shall contain the following particulars, which shall be given in the following order:

— name of vessel,

— call sign,

— external identification letters and numbers,

— serial number of the message for the voyage in question,

— indication of the type of message according to the following code:
  — message when entering one of the zones referred to under 1.1: 'IN',
  — message when leaving one of the zones referred to under 1.1: 'OUT',
  — message when moving from one ICES division to another: 'ICES',
  — weekly message: 'WKL',
  — three-day message: 2 'WKL',

— the date, the time and the geographical position,

— the ICES divisions/sub-areas in which fishing is expected to commence,

— the date on which fishing is expected to commence,

— the quantity (in kilograms live weight) of each species of fish in the hold using the code mentioned in point 5,

— the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species of fish caught since the previous transmission using the code mentioned in point 5,

— the ICES divisions/sub-areas in which the catches were made,

- the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species transferred to and/or from other vessels since the previous transmission,
- the name and call sign of the vessel to and/or from which the transfer was made,
- the quantity (in kilograms live-weight) of each species landed in a port of the Community since the previous transmission,
- the name of the master.

5. The code to be used to indicate the species on board as mentioned in point 4 above:

PRA — Northern deep-water prawn (*Pandalus borealis*),
HKE — Hake (*Merluccius merluccius*),
GHL — Greenland halibut (*Reinhardtius hippoglossoides*),
COD — Cod (*Gadus morhua*),
HAD — Haddock (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*),
HAL — Halibut (*Hippoglossus hippoglossus*),
MAC — Mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*),
HOM — Horse mackerel (*Trachurus trachurus*),
RNG — Round-nose grenadier (*Coryphaenoides rupestris*),
POK — Saithe (*Pollachius virens*),
WHG — Whiting (*Merlangius merlangus*),
HER — Herring (*Clupea harengus*),
SAN — Sand-eel (*Ammodytes spp.*),
SPR — Sprat (*Sprattus sprattus*),
PLE — Plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*),
NOP — Norway pout (*Trisopterus esmarkii*),
LIN — Ling (*Molva molva*),
PEZ — Shrimp (*Penaeidae*),
ANE — Anchovy (*Engraulis encrasicholus*),
RED — Redfish (*Sebastes* spp.),
PLA — American plaice (*Hypoglossoides platessoides*),
SQX — Squid (*Illex* spp.),
YEL — Yellowtail flounder (*Limanda ferruginea*),
WHB — Blue whiting (*Micromesistius poutassou*),
TUN — Tuna (*Thunnidae*),
BLI — Blue ling (*Molva dypterygia*),
USK — Tusk (*Brosme brosme*),
DGS — Dogfish (*Squalus acanthias*),
BSK — Basking shark (*Cetorinhus maximus*),
POR — Porbeagle (*Lamma nasus*),
SQC — Common squid (*Loligo* spp.),
POA — Atlantic pomfret (*Brama brama*),
PIL — Sardine (*Sardina pilchardus*),
CSH — Common shrimp (*Crangon crangon*),
LEZ — Megrim (*Lepidorhombus* spp.),
MNZ — Angler/Monk (*Lophius* spp.),
NEP — Norway lobster (*Nephrops norvegicus*),
POL — Pollack (*Pollachius pollachius*),
ARG — Argentine (Argentina sphyraena),
OTH — Other.

COMPETITIVENESS AND EMPLOYMENT IMPACT STATEMENT

The object of this measure is to maintain and where possible improve fishing possibilities for Community fishermen.

It will not involve undertakings in any particular obligations except the evident respect of the relevant fisheries regulations in force in the EEZ.

RAPPORT DE L'IMPACT SUR LA COMPETITIVITE ET L'EMPLOI

L'objet de cette mesure est de maintenir et même d'améliorer des possibilités de pêche pour les pêcheurs de la Communauté.

Cela n'implique pas d'obligation particulière excepté, évidemment, le respect des règlements respectifs de pêche en force dans la ZEE.

BERICHT ÜBER DIE AUSWIRKUNGEN AUF WETTBEWERBSFÄHIGKEIT UND BESCHÄFTIGUNG

Gegenstand dieser Maßnahme ist es, die Fischereimöglichkeiten für die Fischer den Gemeinschaft zu erhalten und, wo möglich, zu verbessern.

Es bringt keine besonderen Verplichtungen für die Unternehmen mit sich, ausgenommen die Respektierung der geltenden einschlägigen Fischereibestimmungen.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Consultations between the Community and the Faroe Islands, held in Torshavn on 30-31 October 1989, have resulted in an agreement defining reciprocal fishing arrangements for 1990.

The purpose of this proposal for a Regulation is to allocate among the Member States the quotas available in 1990 to Community vessels fishing in the Faroese zone under the above-mentioned arrangements.

The proposed allocation among the Member States of the quotas available to the Community is based on the principles which were applied to the allocation of the 1983 quotas.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 170/83 of 25 January 1983 establishing a Community system for the conservation and management of fishery resources (1), as last amended by the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal (2), and in particular Article 11 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, in accordance with the procedure provided for in the Agreement on fisheries between the European Economic Community, of the one part, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands, of the other part, the two parties have held consultations on their mutual fishing rights for 1990;

Whereas, as a result of these consultations, the two parties have agreed on an arrangement for 1990 whereby certain catch quotas are allocated to Community vessels in the Faroese fishing zone;

Whereas it is for the Community to lay down, in accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EEC) No 170/83, the conditions subject to which these catch quotas may be used by Community fishermen;

Whereas, to ensure efficient management of the catch possibilities available, they should be allocated among the Member States as quotas in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 170/83;

Whereas the fishing activities covered by this Regulation are subject to the relevant control measures provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2241/87 of 23 July 1987 establishing certain control measures for fishing activities (3), as amended by Council Regulation (EEC) N° 3483/88 of 7 November 1988 (4),

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. From 1 January to 31 December 1990 catches taken by vessels flying the flag of a Member State in the waters falling within the fisheries jurisdiction of the Faroe Islands, under the arrangement on reciprocal fishing rights for 1990 between the Community and the Faroe Islands, shall not exceed the quotas set out in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1990.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

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(1) OJ No L 24, 27. 1. 1983, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 302, 15. 11. 1985, p. 1.

(3) OJ No L 207, 29. 7. 1987, p. 1.
(4) OJ N° L306, 11.11.1988, p. 2.

ANNEX

Allocation of Community catch quotas in Faroese waters for 1990, as referred to in Article 1

Species	Community catch quotas	Quotas allocated to Member States	
Cod and haddock	500	France	60
		Germany	10
		United Kingdom	430
Saithe	2 500	Belgium	50
		France	1 510
		Germany	310
		Netherlands	50
		United Kingdom	580
Redfish	7 000	Belgium	50
		France	435
		United Kingdom	75
		Germany	6 440
Blue ling and ling	3 600	France	2 340
		United Kingdom	205
		Germany	1 055
Blue Whiting	25 000	Denmark	11 000
		France, Germany, Netherlands	3 000
		United Kingdom	11 000
Flatfish	1 000 (1)	France	140
		Germany	180
		United Kingdom	680
Other species	760	France	275
		United Kingdom	180
		Germany	305
Mackerel	4 370	Denmark	4 370

(1) Including Greenland halibut.

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