Long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting those stocks: management

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The Committee on Fisheries adopted the recommendation for second reading by Diane DODDS (NI, UK) on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 establishing a long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting those stocks.

The Committee recommended that the European Parliament approve the Council position at first reading without amendments.

As a reminder, on 12 September 2012, the Commission submitted a proposal for a Regulation of the Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation No 1342/2008 with the aim of improving and clarifying the provisions.

On 19 December 2012, the Council, without incorporating all the provisions of the proposal for a regulation, adopted a regulation, stating the legal basis to be Article 43(3) TFEU and including only the amendments relating to Articles 9 and 12 of Regulation No 1342/2008.

Actions for annulment under Article 263 TFEU, were brought on 14 March 2013, by both the European Parliament and the Commission. The Court gave its judgement 1 December 2015 and annulled the Council Regulation, which means that the Court agreed with Parliament and the Commission.

Meanwhile, Parliament adopted its position in first reading on 11 June 2013 on the Commission proposal. After the ECJ judgement, the Committee on Fisheries adopted a mandate for the negotiations with the Council on 19 April 2016 and the file was concluded in a single trilogue on 29 June 2016.