EU/Norway Agreement: reciprocal access to fishing in the Skagerrak for vessels flying the flag of Denmark, Norway and Sweden

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The European Parliament adopted by 638 votes to 10, with 46 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on reciprocal access to fishing in the Skagerrak for vessels flying the flag of Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

In line with its Committee on Fisheries, Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

As a reminder, an Agreement on reciprocal access to fishing in the Skagerrak and Kattegat between Denmark, Norway and Sweden of 1966 entered into force on 7 August 1967.

A replacement agreement on reciprocal access to fishing in the Skagerrak and Kattegat area was initialled on 24 October 2013 and signed on 15 January 2015.

The new Agreement maintains continued reciprocal access for the two Member States and Norway to the respective waters of the other Parties in the Skagerrak and Kattegat area, whilst at the same time, ensuring sound conservation and management measures for fisheries in the area.