Sustainable management of external fishing fleets

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The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution on the Council position at first reading with a view to the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008.

In line with the recommendation for the second reading of the Committee on Fisheries, Parliament approved the Council position at first reading without amendments.

The new legislative framework establishes strict, transparent and harmonised rules for issuing and managing fishing authorisations for Union vessels fishing outside EU waters and for third country vessels operating in Union waters. The existing Regulation has been revised in order to adapt to the new objectives enshrined in the new Common Fisheries Policy. It aims to improve governance, increase transparency, improve control and enforcement, especially in specific cases, such as direct authorisation, transhipment or reflagging.