Multiannual guidance programmes MAGP IV for the fishing fleets end 2001 and June 2002. Reports

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This document consists of the annual report from the Commission on the results of the multiannual guidance programmes for the fishing fleets at the end of 2001. This annual report aims to ensure the transparent implementation of the MAGP IV, which fixes fleet capacity and fishing effort targets that must be achieved progressively over the period 1 January 1997 to 31 December 2001. This year's report is on the progress of the programmes at the end of 2001. At the end of the first five years of the MAGP IV, the Community fleet has been reduced by 38 078 GT and 460 042 kW, representing reductions in fleet capacity of approximately 1.9% and 5.9% respectively. The decrease in tonnage has been under-estimated due to the progressive remeasurement of the fleet. At 31 December 2001 the Community fleet had overfulfilled the final MAGP IV targets by around 16% in terms of tonnage and 12% in terms of power. Several Member States have failed to meet their targets in a few segments. In some segments capacity has even risen substantially beyond the MAGP target levels. As well as providing information, the aim of this report is to allow the Member States and the Commission to take steps to remedy the situation where required, to halt public aid schemes where necessary and to launch infringement proceedings.