Measure to encourage Italian fishermen to diversify out of certain fishing activities (Spadare driftnets)

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OBJECTIVE: the proposal for a Decision introduces a specific measure to encourage Italian fishermen to diversify out of certain fishing activities (drift net fishing - 'spadare'). SUBSTANCE: under the plan drawn up by the Italian Government to reorganize and diversify out of drift net fishing for large pelagic fish, as notified to the Commission on 25 July 1996, a specific measure is established to grant aid, in the form of compensation or of reconversion premiums, to the fishermen concerned. The amount of Community aid (over three years) is estimated at a maximum of ECU 100 million, to be made available by reprogramming structural assistance already allocated under the Objective 1 CSF for Italy.