Herring: conditions of landing for industrial purposes other than direct human consumption

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OBJECTIVE: the proposal for a regulation aims to specify the conditions under which herring may be landed for industrial purposes other than human consumption. SUBSTANCE: by regulation 2115/77/EEC, it is prohibited for fishing vessels of Member States to land herring, irrespective of their geographic origin, for the purpose of reduction to fish meal and oil (industrial fishing). Finland and Sweden are exempt from the conditions of this regulation until the end of 1997. Since 1995 a derogation has been maintained in the annual TAC and quota regulations permitting landings for industrial purposes of herring taken in the Baltic Sea. The Commission proposal indicates that, from 1 January 1988, industrial fishing for herring should be permitted in the Baltic Sea but should be prohibited elsewhere. The proposal annuls Regulation 2115/77/EEC and replaces it by reference to conditions which already exist in Regulations 894 /97/EC (technical measures outside the Baltic Sea) and 1866/86/EEC (technical measures within the Baltic Sea) and the annual TAC and quota regulation (Regulation 390/97/EC).