Fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea: technical measures for the conservation (amend. Regulation (EC) No 1626/94)

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In adopting the report by Hugh McMAHON (PSE, UK) on the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean, the European Parliament called for the transshipment at sea of species regulated by the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT) between vessels which do not belong to that organization and Community vessels to be prohibited. This amendment reflects the existing situation whereby third-country vessels can catch protected fish in the area concerned, thereby evading legislation. Parliament also called on the Commission to submit without delay a proposal for a Regulation embodying the ICCAT recommendations concerning an embargo on tuna imports from Honduras, Belize and Panama, these recommendations already being applicable to all parties to ICCAT.