Basic information

1995/0246(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
Indemnity to fishermen having to suspend their fishing activities in waters under the sovereignty of Morocco **Subject** 3.15.08 Fishing enterprises, fishermen, working conditions on board	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	ARIAS CAÑETE Miguel (PPE)	23/10/1995

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	JÖNS Karin (PSE)	23/10/1995

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Fisheries	1877	1995-10-26

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
10/10/1995	Legislative proposal published	COM(1995)0469	Summary
23/10/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/10/1995	Vote in committee		
23/10/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0259/1995	
24/10/1995	Debate in Parliament		
26/10/1995	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		Summary
26/10/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		
07/11/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1995/0246(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/07174

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0259/1995 OJ C 308 20.11.1995, p. 0013	23/10/1995	
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European Commission

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Legislative proposal	COM(1995)0469 OJ C 332 09.12.1995, p. 0022	10/10/1995	Summary

Additional information

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Final act

Decision 1995/0451
OJ L 264 07.11.1995, p. 0029 Summary

Indemnity to fishermen having to suspend their fishing activities in waters under the sovereignty of Morocco

1995/0246(CNS) - 25/10/1995 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr ARIAS CANETE (PPE, E), the European Parliament approved the proposal for a decision with the following amendments:
- from 1996, a new permanent specific budgetary item should be introduced to enable the Union to intervene rapidly in the event of a serious crisis in

the fisheries sector. Indeed, the EP felt that the Union did not currently have the financial instruments to deal with situations such as that faced by the Portuguese and Spanish fishermen. This instrument should supplement existing initiatives to help fishermen, the processing industry and related sectors; - all efforts should be made to ensure that fishing activity could resume as soon as possible; - the Commission should submit as soon as possible a proposal aimed at stepping up the adaptation of the fleet to actual fishing opportunities.

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1995/0246(CNS) - 26/10/1995

The Council adopted the Decision to compensate the Spanish and Portuguese crews of some 700 vessels affected by the suspension of fishing activities in Moroccan waters pending a new Fisheries Agreement between the Community and Morocco. The Decision mobilises Community budgetary resources of approximately ECU 24 million to implement this measure in favour of fishermen. Compensation for shipowners does not require further budgetary resources since it falls within the FIFG appropriations already granted to Spain and Portugal. Furthermore, since the legal framework for compensating shipowners already exists under Regulation (EC) No 3699/93, the Decision merely simplifies the application of the legal instrument in question. In adopting the Decision the Council took into account the serious disturbance in the economies of certain areas of the Member States concerned and the fact that the shipowners and fishermen in question have had to suspend all fishing activities as a result of the failure to renew the Agreement. The indemnity is to be granted from 1 May 1995 until the date on which fishing activities recommence under a new Agreement with Morocco and up to 31 December 1995 at the latest.

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1995/0246(CNS) - 10/10/1995 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: to grant an indemnity to Portuguese and Spanish fishermen who have had to suspend their fishing activities in waters under the sovereignty of Morocco, following the expiry of the EC-Morocco fisheries agreement on 30 April 1995. SUBSTANCE: since the expiry of the EC-Morocco fisheries agreement, 700 Spanish and Portuguese fishing vessels have been unable to carry out their fishing activities. The Commission is thus proposing to minimise the impact of this suspension of activities by granting an indemnity to these fishermen. This indemnity will be granted from 1 May 1995 until the date on which fishing activities are resumed under the new EC-Morocco fisheries agreement and by 31 December 1995 at the latest. The premiums allocated by the Member States to fishermen may not exceed: - ECU 454/man per month between 1 May 1995 and 31 August 1995 and - ECU 620/man per month between 1 September 1995 and 31 December 1995. The indemnity shall only be granted to fishermen working on vessels who had to suspend all fishing activities due to the fact that the fisheries agreement between the Community and Morocco was not renewed. It is estimated that a maximum of 7 402 fishermen shall benefit from the stand-by allowance: 6 285 in Spain and 1 117 in Portugal.

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1995/0246(CNS) - 26/10/1995 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to grant an indemnity to Portuguese and Spanish fishermen who have had to suspend their fishing activities in waters under the sovereignty of Morocco, following the expiry of the EC-Morocco fisheries agreement on 30 April 1995. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision 95 /452/EC on a specific measure for the grant of an indemnity to fishermen from certain Member States of the Community who have had to suspend their fishing activities in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Morocco . SUBSTANCE: since the expiry of the EC-Morocco fisheries agreement, 700 Spanish and Portuguese fishing vessels have been unable to carry out their fishing activities in Community waters or elsewhere. The Commission is thus proposing in this decision to minimise the impact of this suspension of activities by granting an indemnity to the fishermen directly affected by the suspension. This indemnity will be granted from 1 May 1995 until the date on which fishing activities are resumed under the new EC-Morocco fisheries agreement and by 31 December 1995 at the latest. . Total premium: the premiums allocated by the Member States to fishermen may not exceed: - ECU 454/man per month between 1 May 1995 and 31 August 1995 and - ECU 620/man per month between 1 September 1995 and 31 December 1995. The Community shall contribute a maximum of 75% of the actual payments made. . Beneficiaries: the indemnity shall only be granted to fishermen working on vessels which had to suspend all fishing activities due to the fact that the fisheries agreement between the Community and Morocco was not renewed. It is estimated that a maximum of 7 402 fishermen shall benefit from the stand-by allowance: 6 285 in Spain and 1 117 in Portugal. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 26 October 1995.