Basic information

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EC/Equatorial Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st July 1997 to 30 June 2000 **Subject** 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries **Geographical area** Equatorial Guinea	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	KINDERMANN Heinz (PSE)	22/07/1997

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	JÖNS Karin (PSE)	23/09/1997
DEVE Development and Cooperation		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Fisheries	2063	1997-12-18

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
21/10/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0522	Summary
27/10/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
27/10/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0364/1997	
06/11/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
21/11/1997	Debate in Parliament		
18/12/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
18/12/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		

17/01/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/0268(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 170 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 228-p2/3-a1 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/09489

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0364/1997 OJ C 371 08.12.1997, p. 0010	27/10/1997	
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European Commission

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Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0522 OJ C 366 04.12.1997, p. 0009	21/10/1997	Summary

Additional information

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Final act

Regulation 1998/0114
OJ L 011 17.01.1998, p. 0001 Summary

EC/Equatorial Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st July 1997 to 30 June 2000

1997/0268(CNS) - 21/11/1997 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr Heinz KINDERMANN (PSE, D), the European Parliament approved the conclusion of a new Protocol on fishing between the European Community and the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, with the request that during the final year of application of this agreement (and before the commencement of negotiations on its possible renewal) the Commission submit to Parliament and to the Council a report presenting the impact of the Protocol in terms of fishery resources and the implementation of surveillance measures. Parliament also requests that the Community should undertake to apply in full the United Nations Convention on equitant fish stocks and on highly migratory species, as soon as this comes into force. This means in particular applying the precaution principle and undertaking to play an active role in the International Convention for the conservation of Atlantic tunas (ICCAT).

EC/Equatorial Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st July 1997 to 30 June 2000

1997/0268(CNS) - 21/10/1997 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: under the fisheries agreement between the European Community and Equatorial Guinea, the fishing opportunities open to Community vessels and the financial compensation granted in exchange to Guinea are the subject of periodically renewed Protocols. The last Protocol expired on 30 June 1997, and the new Protocol seeks its renewal for the period 1 July 1997 - 30 June 2000. SUBSTANCE: The fishing opportunities opened under the Protocol chiefly concern Spanish, French, Portuguese and Italian fishermen. The proposed Regulation allocates fishing opportunities among the four fleets: licences for, respectively, 27 French vessels, 35 Spanish vessels, 5 Portuguese vessels and 1 Italian vessel. If licence applications from those Member States do not exhaust the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol, licence applications from other Member States may be considered. With particular reference to the Protocol, the fishing opportunities provided for are allocated as follows: - licences for freezer tuna seiners: 30 vessels; - pole-and-line tuna vessels: 8 vessels; - surface longliners: 30 vessels. In exchange, Equatorial Guinea is granted financial compensation of ECU 600.000 covering a catch weight of 4.000 tonnes of tuna fished per year. Beyond this quantity, the amount of financial compensation is proportionately increased. The Community also contributes towards the financing of Equatorial Guinea scientific and technical development programmes for a total amount of ECU 50.000 and provides awards for study and practical training, whose total cost may not exceed ECU 140.000, for fishermen of that country. Provision is also made for an amount of ECU 170.000 for the financing of fisheries surveillance programmes. The Annex to the Protocol lays down conditions for the issue of licences and the obligations of Community vessels regarding fishing activities (catch statements and landing, fisheries areas, monitoring, etc.).

EC/Equatorial Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st July 1997 to 30 June 2000

1997/0268(CNS) - 18/12/1997 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to make provisions for the fishing opportunities which are open to EU fishing fleets and the financial compensation granted in exchange to Equatorial Guinea, as provided for in the Agreement on Fisheries between the European Economic Community and Equatorial Guinea for the period 1 July 1997 to 30 June 2000. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation 114/98/EC on the conclusion of the Protocol establishing, for the period 1 July 1997 to 30 June 2000, the fishing opportunities and financial compensation provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea on fishing off the coast of Equatorial Guinea. CONTENT: The fishing opportunities opened under this Protocol chiefly concern Spanish, French, Portuguese and Italian fishermen. The Regulation defines the key for the allocation of fishing opportunities among these four fishing fleets. Licences are therefore granted according to the type of vessel for: - 27 French vessels - 35 Spanish vessels - 5 Portuguese vessels - 1 Italian vessel. If licence applications from those Member States do not exhaust the fishing possibilities provided for in the Protocol, licence applications from other Member States may be considered. With particular reference to the Protocol, the fishing opportunities provided for are allocated as follows: - licences for freezer tuna seiners : 30 vessels - licences for pole-and-line tuna vessels : 8 vessels - licences for surface longliners : 30 vessels. In exchange, Equatorial Guinea is to be awarded financial compensation of ECU 600 000 to cover a catch weight of 4 000 tonnes of tuna per year. Beyond this quantity, the amount of financial compensation is proportionately increased. The Community also contributes towards the financing of Equatorial Guinea scientific and technical development programmes for the fishing industry for a total amount of ECU 50 000 and provides awards for study and practical training courses for fisherman of that country amounting to ECU 140 000. The sum of ECU 170 000 is also to be provided for the funding of fisheries surveillance programmes. The Annex to the Protocol lays down conditions for the issue of licences and the obligations of Community vessels regarding fishing activities (catch statements and landing, fisheries areas, monitoring, etc.). IMPLEMENTATION: the Regulation comes into force on 20 January 1998, with the Protocol entering into force once the parties have been notified of all the necessary procedures.