Basic information

1998/0086(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	Procedure completed
EC/Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st January 1998 to 31 December 1999 **Subject** 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries **Geographical area** Guinea	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	GIRÃO PEREIRA José (UPE)	21/01/1998

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	JÖNS Karin (PSE)	27/04/1998
DEVE Development and Cooperation		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2111	1998-06-29
Agriculture and Fisheries	2115	1998-07-20

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
09/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0129	Summary
14/04/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
14/04/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0178/1998	
29/04/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/06/1998	Debate in Parliament		

20/07/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/07/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
29/07/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1998/0086(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 043 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 228-p2/3-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/10027

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0178/1998 OJ C 195 22.06.1998, p. 0003	14/04/1998	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0331/1998 OJ C 210 06.07.1998, p. 0021-0032	16/06/1998	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
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Additional information

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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Regulation 1998/1660
OJ L 211 29.07.1998, p. 0001 Summary

EC/Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st January 1998 to 31 December 1999

1998/0086(CNS) - 20/07/1998 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to conclude a new protocol on fishing between the Community and Guinea establishing the technical and financial conditions for fishing by Community vessels in the waters of that country, for the period from 1 January 1998 to 31 December 1999. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) 1660/98 on the conclusion of the Protocol establishing the fishing possibilities and the financial compensation provided for in the Agreement between the EEC and Guinea on fishing off the Guinean coast for the period 1 January 1998 to 31 December 1999. SUBSTANCE: the new protocol, which was initialled by both parties on 11 December 1997, provides for the following fishing possibilities: - licences for trawlers fishing for cephalopods and fin fish: 4 000 grt per year; - licences for shrimp trawlers: 1 000 grt per year; - licences for 33 freezer tuna seiners; - licences for 13 pole and line tuna vessels; - licences for 28 surface longliners. The fishing possibilities for fin fish and cephalopod trawlers may also be increased at the Community's request by successive instalments of 1000 grt a year. The protocol also provides that if necessary, the joint committee set up by the EC-Guinea Fisheries Agreement may include new categories of fish and lay down the technical and financial conditions under which they can be fished by Community vessels. The various fishing possibilities are broken down between five Member States: Spain, Italy, Greece, France and Portugal. If licence applications from those Member States do not exhaust the fishing possibilities, the Commission may consider licence applications from any other Member State. In payment for the fishing possibilities provided under the protocol, Guinea will receive financial compensation totalling ECU 6 500 000 for the duration of the protocol, covering financial compensation to Guinea for the fishing possibilities and Community funding of various activities under the heading of fisheries (scientific programmes, support for fisheries surveillance bodies, funding for study awards, etc.). If the fishing possibilities are increased, the financial compensation will be increased pro rata. The annex to the protocol lists the conditions under which fishing may be carried out by Community vessels. These include arrangements for obtaining fishing licences for each type of vessel, formalities concerning statements of catch and landing of catches and other provisions relating to signing on of seamen and Guinean observers, inspection and monitoring, fishing zones and authorised mesh sizes. ENTRY INTO FORCE: the regulation comes into force on 1 August 1998. The protocol comes into force when the parties have notified each other of all the required procedures.

EC/Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st January 1998 to 31 December 1999

1998/0086(CNS) - 09/03/1998 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of a new fisheries protocol between the Community and Guinea setting the technical and financial conditions for the fishing activities of Community vessels in the waters of this country for the period from 1 January 1998 to 31 December 1999. SUBSTANCE: The new protocol which was initialled by the two parties on 11 December 1997 provides for the following fishing possibilities: - licences for fin-fish and cephalopod trawlers: 4 000 grt per year; - licences for shrimp trawlers: 1 000 grt per year; - licences for 33 freezer tuna seiners; - licences for 13 pole-and-line tuna vessels; - licences for 28 surface longliners. The fishing possibilities for fin-fish and cephalopod trawlers can also be increased at the request of the Community by successive instalments of 1 000 grt a year. The protocol also provides that where appropriate the joint committee set up under the EC Guinea fisheries agreement can include new categories of fish and lay down the technical conditions under which they can be fished by Community fishermen. In the proposal for a regulation these various fishing possibilities are distributed between five Member States: Spain, Italy, Greece, France and Portugal. If licence applications from these states do not exhaust the fishing possibilities the Commission may consider licence applications from any other Member State. In exchange for the fishing possibilities provided for under the protocol, Guinea will receive overall financial compensation of ECU 6 500 000 for the duration of the Protocol, covering both the financial compensation for Guinea for the fishing possibilities and the funding by the Community of various fisheries activities (scientific programmes, support for fishery surveillance bodies, awards for study, etc.). If the fishing possibilities provided are to be increased, the financial compensation would be increased commensurately. The annex to the protocol contains details concerning the conditions governing fishing by Community vessels. These details include the arrangements for obtaining fishing licences by type of vessel, the formalities relating to statements of catch and landing of catches and other provisions on the signing- on of Guinean seamen and observers, monitoring of fishing, fishing zones and the meshes authorized.

EC/Guinea fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 1st January 1998 to 31 December 1999

1998/0086(CNS) - 16/06/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr José GIRAO PEREIRA (UPE, P), the European Parliament approved the conclusion of the protocol establishing the fishing possibilities and financial compensation concerning fishing off the Guinean coast for the period 1 January 1998 to 31 December 1999. However, it calls for the payment of financial compensation to be tied to the forwarding of an annual report on measures implemented with regard to scientific and technical research programmes and fishery monitoring and surveillance activities off the Guinean coast. Parliament also recommends that in the course of the last year of the protocol's application (and before the start of negotiations on its renewal), the Commission shall submit to the Council and European Parliament a report assessing the implementation of the EC-Guinea fisheries agreement.