Basic information

1998/0212(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	Procedure completed
EC/Gabon fisheries agreement: conclusion of a first fisheries agreement (protocol and technical annex) **Subject** 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries **Geographical area** Gabon	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	GIRÃO PEREIRA José (UPE)	15/04/1998

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	JÖNS Karin (PSE)	19/01/1998
DEVE Development and Cooperation		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2130	1998-11-09

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
17/06/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0376	Summary
20/07/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
20/07/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0283/1998	
14/09/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
18/09/1998	Debate in Parliament		
09/11/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		

09/11/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
18/11/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1998/0212(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 228-p2/3
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/10365

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0283/1998 OJ C 313 12.10.1998, p. 0007	20/07/1998	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0533/1998 OJ C 313 12.10.1998, p. 0230-0246	18/09/1998	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1998)0376 OJ C 240 31.07.1998, p. 0007	17/06/1998	Summary

Additional information

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Final act

Regulation 1998/2469
OJ L 308 18.11.1998, p. 0003 Summary

EC/Gabon fisheries agreement: conclusion of a first fisheries agreement (protocol and technical annex)

1998/0212(CNS) - 18/09/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Adopting the report by Mr José GIRAO PEREIRA (UPE, P), The European Parliament approved the conclusion of the initial fisheries agreement between the European Community and the Gabonese Republic. However, it asked to be duly informed of the implementation of the agreement and has asked that payment of the financial compensation be tied to a report from Gabon on actions for scientific and technical programmes for research into resources and for monitoring and surveillance of fishing in Gabon. The European Parliament asked for a report on the conditions of implementation of the fisheries agreement during the last year in which the Protocol is in force and prior to any agreement for its renewal.

EC/Gabon fisheries agreement: conclusion of a first fisheries agreement (protocol and technical annex)

1998/0212(CNS) - 09/11/1998 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to conclude a fisheries agreement between the European Community and Gabon. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) no. 2469/98 on the conclusion of the agreement between the European Community and the Gabonese Republic on fishing off the coast of Gabon. CONTENTS: the initial period of validity of the agreement is 5 years from its entry into force, after which it may be tacitly extended for two years at a time. This first fisheries agreement with Gabon lays down the conditions for fishing by Community vessels in Gabonese waters (requirement to obtain a licence, payment of a fee, notification of catch data, taking on board of Gabonese seamen, allowing technical inspections, fishing zones). In return for the fishing activities, the Community is to pay financial compensation as set forth in the protocol annexed to the agreement. It is valid for 3 years from the date of entry into force of the agreement. The compensation is set at EUR 270 000 per annum and covers a tuna catch of 9000 tons per annum. Over and above this volume, Community fishermen will be required to pay EUR 50 per additional ton. The fishing possibilities defined in the protocol are to be divided as follows: - 42 freezer tuna seiners, - 33 surface long liners. In addition to the above financial compensation, the Community will help to finance scientific and technical programmes in the field of fisheries and various other measures to protect fisheries and provide training (study grants and practical training courses for Gabonese fishermen). The total amount of this aid is EUR 1 215 000 over the 3 years covered by the protocol. The fishing opportunities provided for by the agreement are allocated to the main beneficiaries as follows: 50 vessels for Spain, 20 vessels for France and 5 for Portugal. If licence applications from these Member States do not exhaust the fishing opportunities, the Commission may consider applications from any other Member State. The agreement sets up a joint committee to oversee its implementation. Provisions are also included to conserve Gabon's fish stocks. ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Regulation will enter into force on 18 November 1998 and the fisheries agreement and protocol will enter into force once all the necessary procedures have been completed.

EC/Gabon fisheries agreement: conclusion of a first fisheries agreement (protocol and technical annex)

1998/0212(CNS) - 17/06/1998 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of a first fisheries agreement between the Community and Gabon. SUBSTANCE: the initial period of validity of the agreement is 5 years from its entry into force, after which it may be tacitly extended for two years at a time. This first fisheries agreement with Gabon lays down the conditions for fishing by Community vessels in Gabonese waters (requirement to obtain a licence, payment of a fee, notification of catch data, taking on board of Gabonese seamen, allowing technical inspections, fishing zones). In return for the fishing activities, the Community is to pay financial compensation as set forth in the protocol annexed to the agreement. It is valid for 3 years from the date of entry into force of the agreement. The compensation is set at ECU 270 000 per annum and covers a tuna catch of 9000 tons per annum. Over and above this volume, Community fishermen will be required to pay ECU 50 per additional ton. The fishing opportunities defined in the protocol are to be divided as follows: - 42 freezer tuna seiners, - 33 surface long liners. In addition to the above financial compensation, the Community will help to finance scientific and technical programmes in the field of fisheries and various other measures to protect fisheries and provide training (study grants and practical training courses for Gabonese fishermen). The total amount of this aid is ECU 1 215 000 over the 3 years covered by the protocol. The fishing opportunities provided for by the agreement are allocated to the main beneficiaries as follows: 50 vessels for Spain, 20 for France and 5 for Portugal. If licence applications from these Member States do not exhaust the fishing opportunities, the Commission may consider applications from any other Member State. The agreement sets up a joint committee to oversee its implementation. Provisions are also included to conserve Gabon's fish stocks.