Basic information

1998/0305(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	Procedure completed
Fishing resources, conservation of Atlantic Tunas ICCAT 1997: transhipments and vessel observation **Subject** 3.15.01 Fish stocks, conservation of fishery resources 3.15.07 Fisheries inspectorate, surveillance of fishing vessels and areas	

Key players

European Parliament	**Committee responsible**	**Rapporteur**	**Appointed**
	PECH Fisheries	SOUCHET Dominique F.C. (I-EDN)	26/11/1998
Council of the European Union	**Council configuration**	**Meetings**	**Date**
	Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2193	1999-06-21

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/10/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0620	Summary
02/12/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
30/03/1999	Vote in committee		Summary
30/03/1999	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0176/1999	
21/06/1999	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
21/06/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		
26/06/1999	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1998/0305(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037

Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/4/10579

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	**Committee**	**Reference**	**Date**	**Summary**
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0176/1999 OJ C 219 30.07.1999, p. 0008	30/03/1999	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0224/1999 OJ C 219 30.07.1999, p. 0020-0031	13/04/1999	Summary
European Commission				
Document type		**Reference**	**Date**	**Summary**
Legislative proposal		COM(1998)0620 OJ C 371 01.12.1998, p. 0016	30/10/1998	Summary

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Final act	
Regulation 1999/1351 OJ L 162 26.06.1999, p. 0006	Summary

Fishing resources, conservation of Atlantic Tunas ICCAT 1997: transhipments and vessel observation

1998/0305(CNS) - 13/04/1999 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Under consultation procedure, the European parliament adopted the legislative resolution by Dominique F.C. Souchet (EDN,FR) which approves the proposal for a Council regulation laying down certain control measures to ensure compliance with the measures adopted by ICCAT.

Fishing resources, conservation of Atlantic Tunas ICCAT 1997: transhipments and vessel observation

1998/0305(CNS) - 21/06/1999 - Final act

PURPOSE : to establish new control measures for fishing in the sea to ensure compliance with the measures which were recently adopted by the ICCAT and to discourage illegal fishing. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 1351/1999/EC laying down certain control measures to ensure

compliance with the measures adopted by ICCAT. CONTENT : the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna (ICCAT), to which the Community is a party, has as its objective to ensure the conservation and the management of resources of tuna and tuna-like fish in the Atlantic Ocean and adjacent seas, and the adoption of recommendations on conservation and management in the Convention area that become binding on contracting parties. There is an ICCAT recommendation from 1997 on trans-shipments and vessel observation that seeks to discourage the exercise of illegal fishing and this became obligatory for the parties on 13.06.1998. The Community must apply this recommendation through this Regulation, which provides that Community fishing vessels: - limit the trans-shipments at sea from ships flying the flag of contracting party of the ICCAT or parties said to be "cooperating" (which are non-contracting but who observe certain ICCAT recommendations), - make provision with regard to the exchange of information on the activities of vessels likely to jeopardise the efficiency of conservation and management measures adopted by the ICCAT. The Regulation also seeks to encourage the non-contracting parties of the ICCAT to accede to the status of 'cooperating parties' by accepting to agree to respecting the measures adopted by this Regulation so as not to jeopardise the effects of the measures already taken. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 03.07.1999.

Fishing resources, conservation of Atlantic Tunas ICCAT 1997: transhipments and vessel observation

1998/0305(CNS) - 30/10/1998 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down certain control measures to ensure compliance with the measures adopted by ICCAT. CONTENT: The European Community became a contracting party to the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) in 1997. Its purpose is the conservation and management of resources of tuna and tuna-like fish in the Atlantic and adjacent seas. ICCAT has adopted conservation and management measures that are binding on contracting parties. Fishing by certain vessels that is contrary to these measures is threatening their effectiveness.To discourage illegal activity, ICCAT meeting in November 1997, adopted a recommendation on trans-shipments and vessel observation. In the absence of any objection, this recommendation became binding on the contracting parties from 13 June 1998. As a contracting party, the Community should apply it, and the purpose of the proposal is to incorporate it into Community law. The Regulation will restrict shipments to Community vessels at sea of species falling within the competence of ICCAT to fish from vessels flying the flag of a co-operating party, entity or fishing entity. It will also set requirements on exchange of information on vessels suspected of activity detrimental to the effectiveness of the conservation and management measures adopted by ICCAT. These provisions will help improve monitoring at sea and discourage illegal fishing.