Basic information

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Fishing vessels: emergency measure for scrapping **Subject** 3.15.04 Management of fisheries, fisheries, fishing grounds 3.15.06 Fishing industry and statistics, fishery products 3.15.07 Fisheries inspectorate, surveillance of fishing vessels and areas	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	VARELA SUANZES-CARPEGNA Daniel (PPE-DE)	03/07/2002

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	DÜHRKOP DÜHRKOP Bárbara (PSE)	20/06/2002

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	2476	2002-12-20
Fisheries	2435	2002-06-11

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Maritime Affairs and Fisheries	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
28/05/2002	Legislative proposal published	COM(2002)0190	Summary
07/06/2002	Initial legislative proposal published	09418/2002	
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04/07/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

12/11/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
12/11/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0393/2002	
04/12/2002	Debate in Parliament		
05/12/2002	Decision by Parliament	T5-0588/2002	Summary
20/12/2002	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
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Technical information

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European Parliament

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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0393/2002	12/11/2002	
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Council of the EU

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Other institutions and bodies

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Regulation 2002/2370 OJ L 358 31.12.2002, p. 0057-0059	Summary

Fishing vessels: emergency measure for scrapping

2002/0115(CNS) - 20/12/2002 - Final act

PURPOSE : to reform the Common Fisheries Policy (Framework Regulation). COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 2370/2002/EC establishing an emergency Community measure for scrapping fishing vessels; CONTENT : after lengthy and difficult discussions, the Council adopted the three proposals on the reform of the CFP (refer to CNS/2002/0114 and CNS/2002/0116). It should be noted that the German and the Swedish delegation voted against. The aims of the initial proposals were: - to improve the conservation of fish stocks by setting multi-annual management plans on the basis of sound scientific advice; the current management system is based on the fixation at the end of each year of TACs and quotas for the next year; - to tackle the over-capacity of the EU fleet by restricting public aid to measures concerning safety on board vessels which do not involve capacity in terms of tonnage or power; - to prevent the EU expansion of the fishing fleet, by withdrawing an equivalent capacity without public aid before introducing a new capacity; the current system of fleet reduction is based on MultiAnnual Guidance Programme (MAGP); - to address the social problems of fishermen who have to leave fishing by excluding public aid for the transfer of fishing vessels, including in the context of joint enterprises, aid for constructing new fishing vessels and to restrict the aid to modernisation of fishing vessels to improve safety on board; - to improve control and enforcement by creating a joint inspection structure; - to develop the involvement of stakeholders in the CFP by creating the Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) at local and regional levels. The adoption of these texts represents a major change in the Common Fisheries Policy, in particular with regard to: - the abolition of public aid for the renewal of the fleet after 31 December 2004; - the introduction of recovery plans for stocks below Safe Biological Limits and management plans for stocks of within safe biological limits; - increased premiums for the scrapping of vessels in order to achieve additional reductions in fishing effort resulting from recovery plans for the period 2003-2006. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 01/01/2003.

Fishing vessels: emergency measure for scrapping

2002/0115(CNS) - 28/05/2002 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: Establishing emergency measures for the scrapping of fishing vessels. CONTENT: One of the key goals of the Common Fisheries Policy has been a reduction in the fishing fleet in order to align it with available resources. In spite of recent policy changes, reductions in the EU's fishing capacity remains modest. The EU's fishing fleet remains much too large for the size of stocks it is targeting. One of the reasons for this has been the provision that money for scrapping vessels has been exclusively channelled through the structural funds. This proposal seeks to address this shortcoming by offering money on a more targeted basis. To provide for extra scrapping premiums this proposal contains two key policies: - Firstly, it provides a derogation from the current FIFG rules to allow a 20% increase in the amount of scrapping money vessel owners will be entitled to if they are severely affected by multi-annual management plans. - Secondly, it provides, (for the year 2003), a special incentive that would provide Member States with additional money required to co-finance this extra scrapping, on top of the Community budget already available through FIFG. For the years 2004-2006, funds for the additional scrapping requirements (as laid down in this Regulation) would become available by reprogramming the Structural Funds, as foreseen in a mid-term review. The time-frame for this measure is limited to 2003-2006 in order to encourage vessel owners to decommission quickly. The money to be dedicated to decommissioning is EUR 663 million. The Commission estimates that the additional budget required for decommissioning for those vessels would amount to EUR 271,6 million.

Fishing vessels: emergency measure for scrapping

2002/0115(CNS) - 05/12/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution based on the report by Daniel VARELA SUANZES-CARPEGNA (EPP-ED, Spain) and made some amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please refer to the document dated 12/11/02.) Parliament pointed out once again that not all Member States have implemented mechanisms for the regulation and adjustment of their fleet, and that the Commission has not performed the monitoring needed to ensure that they are put into effect. The financing of the Community measure requires additional funding from heading 2 of the financial perspective under the 2003 budget, which can only be provided by the mobilisation of additional appropriations.