Basic information

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Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	ATTWOOLL Elspeth (ELDR)	04/12/2003

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	DÜHRKOP DÜHRKOP Bárbara (PSE)	16/12/2003

Council of the European Union

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Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2579	2004-04-29

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Maritime Affairs and Fisheries	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
20/11/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0706	Summary
03/12/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
16/03/2004	Vote in committee		Summary
16/03/2004	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0166/2004	
01/04/2004	Decision by Parliament	T5-0255/2004	Summary
29/04/2004	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		

29/04/2004	End of procedure in Parliament		
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European Parliament

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Common Fisheries Policy CFP: control, Community financial contribution, 2004-2005

2003/0281(CNS) - 20/11/2003 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to establish the conditions under which the Community may grant a financial contribution to Member States for their fisheries control programmes. PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision. CONTENT : for the sake of greater clarity, it is proposed to redefine the measures eligible for financial support from the Community, most of which are already covered by the existing rules. The measures proposed as eligible for finance are: 1) purchase of computer equipment and installation of IT networks; 2) purchase of devices to locate fishing vessels and equipment for the electronic transmission of information; 3) pilot projects concerning the new technologies for monitoring fisheries activities; 4) training and exchanges of inspectors; 5) pilot projects for inspection plans and observers; 6) cost/benefit analysis of expenditure on inspections; 7) initiatives to raise awareness of the importance of complying with fisheries control provisions; 8) purchase and modernisation of boats and aircraft for inspections at sea. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS : - Budget line : B2-901 (11.07.02) Financial contribution to the Member States for expenditure in the field of control. - Total allocation for action : EUR 70 million. - Period of application : 2004 and 2005. The annual appropriations planned amount to EUR 35 million for 2004 and 2005. The normal Community contribution will be 50% of the expenditure incurred by the Member States; it could be higher for expenditure under points 2, 3 and 7. Projects under point 8 may receive no more than 35% of expenditure and only the new Member States joining on 1 May 2004 will be eligible.

Common Fisheries Policy CFP: control, Community financial contribution, 2004-2005

2003/0281(CNS) - 01/04/2004 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted the report by Elspeth ATTWOOLL (ELDR, UK) broadly approving the proposal, subject to a number of amendments (please refer to the summary dated 16/03/2004). In addition to these amendments, the Parliament has included some other amendments: - much more could still be done to improve land-based monitoring of landings in order to address the allegedly serious problem of illegal landings; - Parliament has deleted the amendment which states that for the year 2004, new Member States shall submit their annual fisheries control programme by 1 June 2004; - Member States wishing to receive a financial contribution shall notify to the Commission, by 1 June for the year 2004 and by 31 January for the year 2005; - the indicative financial reference for the implementation of the actions for which financial assistance is provided for the period 2004 to 2005 is EUR 70 million. The annual appropriations shall be authorised by the budgetary authority within the limits of the ceiling of heading 3 of the financial perspectives as adjusted for the year 2005.

Common Fisheries Policy CFP: control, Community financial contribution, 2004-2005

2003/0281(CNS) - 29/04/2004 - Final act

PURPOSE : to establish the conditions under which the Community may grant a financial contribution to Member States for their fisheries control programmes. LEGISLATIVE ACT : Council Decision 2004/465/EC on a Community financial contribution towards Member States fisheries control programmes. CONTENT : the Council adopted this Decision on a Community financial contribution towards Member States fisheries control programmes. The current Decision expired at the end of 2003. This Decision extends the current Decision for two years as the joint inspection structure may come into force at the beginning of 2006. The proposal aims, amongst other things, to finance the decisions on control agreed in the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy and to upgrade rapidly the monitoring structures of the ten new Member States. The German and Swedish delegation abstained. Member States wishing to receive a financial contribution shall notify to the Commission an annual fisheries control programme specifying: the objectives of the programme; the human resources available; the financial resources available; the number of vessels and aircraft available; a list of projects for which a financial contribution is sought; the overall expenditure planned for achieving the projects; a schedule for completion of each project listed in the programme; a list of indicators that will be used to assess the efficacy of the programme. All Member States shall submit their annual fisheries control programme by 1 June 2004 for 2004 and by 31 January 2005 for 2005. The projects for which a financial contribution is sought shall relate to one or more of the following actions: - purchase of, installation and technical assistance for, computer technology and setting up of IT networks in order to allow efficient and secure data exchange in connection with monitoring, control and surveillance of fisheries activities; - purchase and fitting on board of fishing vessels of: i) electronic localisation devices enabling vessels to be monitored at a distance by fisheries monitoring centre through a vessel monitoring system (VMS); ii) electronic recording and reporting devices, allowing data transmission from the vessel; - pilot projects relating to and implementation of new technologies on the control of fisheries activities; - training and exchange programmes of civil servants responsible for monitoring, control and surveillance tasks in the fisheries area; - implementation of pilot inspection and observer schemes; - cost/benefit analysis and assessment of overall expenditure incurred by the competent authorities in carrying out monitoring, control and surveillance of fisheries activities; - initiatives including seminars and media tools aimed at enhancing awareness among fishermen and other players such as inspectors, public prosecutors and judges, as well as among the general public of the need to fight irresponsible and illegal fishing and on the implementation of CFP rules; - purchase and modernisation of vessels and aircraft used for inspection and surveillance of fisheries activities by the competent authorities of the Member States. The financial reference amount for the implementation of the actions for which financial assistance is provided for the period 2004 to 2005 shall be EUR 70 million. The annual appropriations shall be authorised by the budgetary authority within the limits of the financial perspectives. In the decision granting a Community financial contribution, the Commission shall give priority to the actions which it deems most appropriate in order to improve efficiency in monitoring, control and surveillance activity, taking also into account the performance of

Member States in implementing programmes already approved. At the reasoned request of a Member State, the Commission may grant an advance of up to 50% of the financial contribution for one year. The amount of the advance shall be deducted from the amount of the final payment of the financial contribution to that Member State. Lastly, Member States shall send the Commission information enabling it to verify the use made of the financial contribution and to assess the impact of the measures provided for in this Decision on control, inspection and surveillance activity. On the basis of the information provided by the Member States, the Commission shall, by 30 June 2007 at the latest, submit to the European Parliament and to the Council a report on the application of this Decision and Decision 2001/431/EC. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 01/01/2004.