

| Basic information | |
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| 2004/0071(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation | Procedure completed |
| EC/Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007 Subject 3.15.15.03 Fisheries agreements with Indian Ocean countries Geographical area Mauritius | |

| Key players | | | | |
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| European Parliament | Committee responsible | | Rapporteur | Appointed |
| | PECH Fisheries | | MORILLON Philippe (ALDE) | 28/07/2004 |
| | Former committee responsible | | Former rapporteur | Appointed |
| | PECH Fisheries | | | |
| | Committee for opinion | | Rapporteur for opinion | Appointed |
| | DEVE Development | | MORGANTINI Luisa (GUE /NGL) | 27/07/2004 |
| | BUDG Budgets | | The committee decided not to give an opinion. | |
| | Former committee for opinion | | Former rapporteur for opinion | Appointed |
| | BUDG Budgets | | | |
| | DEVE Development and Cooperation | | | |
| Council of the European Union | Council configuration | | Meetings | Date |
| | Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN | | 2612 | 2004-10-21 |

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| European Commission | Commission DG | Commissioner |
| | Maritime Affairs and Fisheries | |

| Key events | | | |
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| Date | Event | Reference | Summary |
| 26/03/2004 | Legislative proposal published | COM(2004)0197  | Summary |
| 19/04/2004 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |
| 01/09/2004 | Vote in committee | | Summary |
| 02/09/2004 | Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading | A6-0001/2004 | |
| 15/09/2004 | Decision by Parliament | T6-0006/2004 | Summary |
| 15/09/2004 | Results of vote in Parliament |  | |
| 16/09/2004 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |
| 21/10/2004 | Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament | | |
| 21/10/2004 | End of procedure in Parliament | | |
| 24/11/2004 | Final act published in Official Journal | | |

| Technical information | |
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| Procedure reference | 2004/0071(CNS) |
| Procedure type | CNS - Consultation procedure |
| Procedure subtype | International agreement |
| Legislative instrument | Regulation |
| Legal basis | EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1 |
| Stage reached in procedure | Procedure completed |
| Committee dossier | PECH/6/21203 PECH/5/20850 |

| Documentation gateway | | | | |
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| European Parliament | | | | |
| Document type | Committee | Reference | Date | Summary |
| Committee opinion | DEVE | PE346.908 | 30/08/2004 | |
| Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading | | A6-0001/2004 | 02/09/2004 | |
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| Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading | | OJ C 140 09.06.2005, p. 0059-0100 E | 15/09/2004 | Summary |
| European Commission | | | | |
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| Legislative proposal | COM(2004)0197  | 26/03/2004 | Summary | |
| Document attached to the procedure | SEC(2004)0352  | 26/03/2004 | | |
| Commission response to text adopted in plenary | SP(2004)2350 | 05/10/2004 | | |

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| Additional information | | |
| Source | Document | Date |
| European Commission | EUR-Lex | |

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| Final act |
| Regulation 2004/2003 OJ L 348 24.11.2004, p. 0001-0002 Summary |

EC/Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007

2004/0071(CNS) - 21/10/2004 - Final act

PURPOSE : the conclusion of a Fishing Protocol between the European Economic Community and the Government of Mauritius to last from 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Regulation 2003/2004/EC on the conclusion of the Protocol defining, for the period 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007, the fishing opportunities and the financial compensation provided for by the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of Mauritius on fishing in Mauritian waters.

CONTENT : the purpose of this legislative act is to define a new Protocol between the EU and the Government of Mauritius on fishing in Mauritian waters. The newly agreed Protocol covers the period 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2004. The text of the Protocol is attached to the Regulation. In accordance with the Protocol the following fishing possibilities shall be accorded:

- Tuna seiners: licences for 41 vessels;
- Surface long-liners: licences for 49 vessels;
- Vessels fishing by line: licences for 25 GRT/month on an annual average.

The fishing opportunities fixed in the Protocol shall be allocated among the Member States as follows:

- Tuna seiners: France 16, Spain 22, Italy 2, United Kingdom 1.
- Surface long-liners: Spain 19, France 23, Portugal 7.
- Vessels fishing by line: France 25 GRT per month on an annual average.

If licence applications from the aforementioned Member States do not cover all the fishing opportunities fixed by the Protocol, the Commission may consider licence applications from any other Member State.

Financial compensation has been fixed at EUR 487 500 per year and shall cover the catch weight in water of Mauritius of 6 5000 tonnes of catches per year. Part of the financial compensation, namely EUR 195 000, shall annually be earmarked for financing scientific research into areas such as sustainable and responsible fishing.

An annex is attached to the Protocol in which provisions regarding licence application and validity, transshipments, declaration of catches and the status of observers is detailed. Other issues covered by the annex include inspection regimes, the employment of seamen, fishing zones, supply to fishing zones, sanctions and procedures to be taken in case of boarding.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: The Regulation enters into force on 27/11/2004. The Protocol and the Annex enter into force on the date of its signature and shall apply from 3 December 2003.

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2004/0071(CNS) - 15/09/2004 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted, by 415 votes for, 56 against and 67 abstentions, a resolution drafted by Philippe MORILLON (ALDE, FR) approving the Commission's proposal with a few amendments. (Please see the document of 01/09/04.) The Commission must forward to the European Parliament and to the Council a copy of the annual report referred to in the Protocol.

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2004/0071(CNS) - 26/03/2004 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to conclude a new Protocol for fishing opportunities and financial compensation between the EU and the Government of Mauritius for the period 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007. PROPOSED ACT : Council Regulation. CONTENT : A series of meetings between representatives from Mauritius and the European Union in September 2003 led to agreement on the technical and financial conditions under which Community fishing vessels can fish in Mauritius. It covers the period 3 December 2003 to 2 December 2007. The new Protocol grants fishing possibilities for: - 41 tuna seiner; - 49 surface long liners and - licences for 25 GRT per month on an annual average for vessels fishing by line. Financial compensation has been fixed at EUR 487 500 per year and covers a catch weight in the waters of Mauritius of 6 500 tons of catches per year. Part of the financial compensation equivalent to EUR 195 000 per year shall be earmarked to the financing of targeted actions, such as scientific and technical programmes, training, control and surveillance, including the VNS. New elements have been introduced into the new Protocol in line with the promotion of responsible and sustainable fishery in the Indian Ocean. Specifically speaking the new elements introduced include: - Duration of the Protocol lasting four, rather than the previous three, years. - An exclusive clause prohibiting any private licence or any other form of arrangement. - Obligation for the EU fleet operating the Mauritian waters to embark local seamen and to apply the social clause. - Fishing 15 miles from the coast rather than the previously agreed 12 miles. - Obligation for Community vessels to communicate any transshipment in Mauritius and - Sanctions for non-compliance with the Protocol and the relevant Mauritian legislation. The Commission will propose, under a separate procedure, a proposal for a Council Decision on the provisional application of the new Protocol. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: - Budget lines: 110301 (previous B78000) : "International Fisheries Agreements" 11010404 (ex B78000A) : "International Fisheries Agreements , administrative expenditure". - Total allocation for action (Part B): Min: EUR 2 010 000, Max: 3 960 000 in commitment and payment appropriations. - Period of application: 3.12.2003 to 2.12.2007 - Impact on staff: One permanent post Grade A; one permanent post Grade B; one permanent post Grade C.