Basic information

2019/0226M(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments	Procedure completed
EU/Senegal Fisheries Partnership Agreement: implementation of the Agreement. Protocol Accompanying procedure 2019/0226(NLE) **Subject** 3.15.15.02 Fisheries agreements with African countries **Geographical area** Senegal	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
PECH Fisheries	BILBAO BARANDICA Izaskun (Renew)	12/12/2019
	Shadow rapporteur BELLAMY François-Xavier (EPP) MATIĆ Predrag Fred (S&D) BITEAU Benoît (Greens /EFA) RUISSEN Bert-Jan (ECR) FERREIRA João (GUE/NGL)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
DEVE Development	KEMPA Beata (ECR)	16/12/2019
BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary

13/02/2020	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
01/10/2020	Vote in committee		
08/10/2020	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0182/2020	
11/11/2020	Decision by Parliament	T9-0295/2020	Summary
11/11/2020	Results of vote in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2019/0226M(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Motion for a resolution under consent procedure
Amendments and repeals	Accompanying procedure 2019/0226(NLE)
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 107-p2
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	PECH/9/02124

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE646.919	28/01/2020	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE648.400	27/02/2020	
Committee opinion	DEVE	PE647.002	02/06/2020	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0182/2020	08/10/2020	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0295/2020	11/11/2020	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2021)32	22/03/2021	

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

EU/Senegal Fisheries Partnership Agreement: implementation of the Agreement. Protocol

2019/0226M(NLE) - 11/11/2020 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 583 votes to 43, with 60 abstentions, a non-legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Protocol on the implementation of the Agreement on a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership between the European Union and the Republic of Senegal.

Objectives

The new Protocol covers a period of five years and provides fishing opportunities for EU vessels (28 freezer tuna seiners, 10 pole-and-line vessels, 5 longliners and 2 trawlers) corresponding to a reference tonnage of 10 000 tonnes of tuna per year and an authorised catch of black hake of 1 750 tonnes per year.

The financial contribution should be EUR 3 050 750 per year, broken down as follows: EUR 800 000 per year for access to resources, EUR 900 000 per year for the implementation of the sectoral policy and EUR 1 350 750 per year corresponding to the estimated amount of the appropriate fees to be paid by shipowners.

Parliament affirmed that the protocol will make it possible to continue the close collaboration between the EU and Senegal in order to guarantee the responsible exploitation of fisheries resources in Senegalese waters and to support Senegal's efforts to establish sustainable management of resources and protect marine biodiversity.

Members welcomed the fact that the protocol takes account of by-catches of sensitive species and stressed the need to further strengthen measures to protect the marine ecosystem. They stressed the central role of trained scientific observers in monitoring by-catches.

Sectoral support

Parliament recommended several priority actions for sector support. These include:

- control and surveillance by modernising the Fisheries Monitoring Centre (FMC) as soon as possible;

- support Senegal’s efforts in the fight against illegal fishing by means of a monitoring mechanism for vessels calling at the port of Dakar;

- the development of scientific capacity and data collection to enable the Senegalese authorities to take decisions based on the best scientific assessments of existing stocks, and to improve knowledge of marine and coastal ecosystems;

- decent working conditions for all fishers and fisheries-related, in particular for women;

- support for the development of fisheries products and support for small-scale coastal fisheries and communities in Senegal;

- setting up basic and vocational training programmes for scientific observers and seamen;

- strengthening measures to encourage young people to engage in fishing;

Parliament recommended that stakeholders should participate in the preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of operational programmes by involving and consulting local fishing communities in accordance with Senegalese law.