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GENERAL SECRETARIAT

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1055th meeting of the Council
- Fisheries -
Brussels, 16, 17 and 18 December 1985

President:

Mr René STEICHEN,
State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture
and Viticulture
of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

** Includes 1055th meeting on December 20, 1985*

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Paul DE KEERSMAEKER State Secretary for European Affairs
and Agriculture

Denmark:

Mr Henning GROVE Minister for Fisheries

Mr Thomas LAURITSEN State Secretary,
Ministry of Fisheries

Germany:

Mr Wolfgang von GELDERN Parliamentary State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Food,
Agriculture and Forestry

Greece:

Mr George MORAITIS Deputy Minister for Agriculture

France:

Mr Guy LENGAGNE State Secretary attached to the
Minister for Town Planning, Housing
and Transport, with responsibility
for Maritime Affairs

Ireland:

Mr Paddy O'TOOLE Minister for Fisheries and Forestry

Italy:

Mr Paolo GALLI Deputy Permanent Representative

Luxembourg:

Mr René STEICHEN State Secretary,
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Mr A. PLOEG State Secretary,
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United Kingdom:

Mr Michael JOPLING

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries
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Mr John GUMMER

State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries
and Food

Lord GRAY

Minister of State for Scotland

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Commission:

Mr Frans H.J.J. ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

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The following also attended as observers:

Spain:

Mr Carlos ROMERO HERRERA

Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries
and Food

Portugal:

Mr Alvaro BARRETO

Minister for Agriculture and
Fisheries

Mr Jorge M. de OLIVEIRA GODINHO

State Secretary for Fisheries

The Council made considerable progress in its discussions on all the items on the agenda and agreed to resume its proceedings at 11.00 on Friday 20 December with a view to reaching a decision.



COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
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11571/85 (Presse 203)

1055th meeting of the Council

- Fisheries -

Brussels, 20 December 1985

President: Mr René STEICHEN
State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture
and Viticulture
of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

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Ministry of Agriculture

Denmark:

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Mr Thomas LAURITSEN State Secretary,
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COMMUNITY FISHERIES POLICY

The Council held a very thorough exchange of views on the basis of a series of Commission proposals concerning the pursuante of the Community fisheries policy by the Community of Twelve from 1 January 1986.

The discussion concentrated essentially on problems arising over the fixing of TACs and the allocation of quotas between the Member States. Account obviously had to be taken of the outcome of the negotiations in particular with Norway, the Faroe Islands, Sweden and Greenland.

A number of measures were also discussed concerning access for vessels of the present Member States to Spanish and Portuguese waters, and access for Portuguese vessels to the waters of the Community of Ten ⁽¹⁾. Certain structural and control measures concerning both the Community of Ten and the two new partners were also adopted.

Lastly, the Council broached the subject of under-utilization of quotas and relations with a series of third countries.

At the close of its proceedings the Council reached overall agreement on these issues, as summarized below.

⁽¹⁾ Access for Spanish vessels to the waters of the Community of Ten was dealt with in the Act of Accession itself.

TACS AND QUOTAS FOR 1986

The Council reached agreement on the TACs and quotas for 1986 for the twelve Member States. (See Annex I and Annex II, the latter amending the former.)

This year the TAC and quota arrangements no longer cover the fishing zone around the Saint Pierre and Miquelon archipelago. It was decided not to include it pending a statement expected shortly from the Council concerning the transformation under Community law of this territory from a FOD to an OCT within the meaning of the EEC Treaty.

In that connection, the Commission confirmed that the allocation of quotas for certain stocks or groups of stocks provided for for the first time in the Regulation fixing total allowable catches for 1986 prejudged neither TACs nor the future allocation of those stocks, which would be determined on the basis of experience.

Technical measures

The Council adopted the Regulation supplementing Regulation (EEC) No 171/83 with technical conservation measures applicable to maritime waters falling within the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Spain and Portugal.

Fishing by vessels of the Community of Ten in Spanish waters

The Council adopted the Regulation establishing, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of a Member State other than Spain and Portugal, in waters falling under the sovereignty or within the jurisdiction of Spain.

Fishing by the vessels of the Community of Ten in Portuguese waters and fishing by Portuguese vessels in the waters of the Community of Ten

The Council adopted two Regulations:

- establishing, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of a Member State other than Spain and Portugal, in waters falling under the sovereignty or within the jurisdiction of Portugal;
- establishing, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Portugal, in waters falling under the sovereignty or within the jurisdiction of other Member States apart from Spain and Portugal.

UNDER-UTILIZATION OF QUOTAS

The Council referred to its statement of 25 January 1983 to the effect that the full utilization of available resources contributed to the balance and development of the fishing industries of the Community. In this connection, the Commission undertook, when forwarding to the Member States the cumulative catch figures for the period up to the end of September each year, to indicate the main cases in which there appeared to be scope for exchanges of all or part of quotas as laid down in Article 5(1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 170/83 and to make recommendations in order to assist the Member States in reaching decisions, on the understanding that the allocation scale resulting from the 25 January compromise could under no circumstances be affected.

NORWAY, FAROE ISLANDS AND SWEDEN

The Council adopted the proposals for Council Regulations:

- allocating certain catch quotas between Member States for vessels fishing in the Norwegian economic zone and in the fishing zone around Jan Mayen
- laying down, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Norway
- allocating catch quotas between Member States for vessels fishing in the waters of the Faroe Islands.

- laying down, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of the Faroe Islands

- allocating catch quotas between Member States for vessels fishing in Swedish waters

- laying down, for 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Sweden.

GREENLAND

The Council approved the proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) allocating Community catch quotas in Greenland waters for 1986. These catch possibilities for Community vessels are given in Annex III.

FLAT-RATE AMOUNTS

The Council adopted the proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) fixing the flat-rate amounts of hake, horse mackerel and blue whiting allocated to Spain for 1986 in the waters of the Community of Ten.

MEASURES FOR THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF FISHERY RESOURCES
APPLICABLE TO VESSELS FLYING THE FLAG OF CERTAIN NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES
IN THE 200 NAUTICAL MILE ZONE OFF THE COAST OF THE FRENCH DEPARTMENT
OF GUIANA

The Council adopted the Regulation laying down the fishing arrangements for vessels flying the flag of certain non-member countries in the 200 nautical mile zone off the coast of the French department of Guiana for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1986.

The Regulation is based on the principles already applied in the past. However, it differs in three important aspects from the Regulation in force for 1985:

- to take account of a process of registering as French, vessels flying the flag of non-member third countries, and, for the time being, of Japanese vessels, the Regulation gives these vessels a system of temporary licences (maximum number of licences proposed for vessels from non-member countries other than shrimp-fishing vessels from ACP States: 55 licences, of which 21 are temporary);
- for the first time, shark fishing is authorized under certain conditions;
- provision has been made to reopen the quota last allocated to Barbados in 1981.

SPECIAL CARRY-OVER PREMIUM FOR MEDITERRANEAN ANCHOVIES

The Council adopted the Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2204/82 laying down general rules for the granting of a special carry-over premium for Mediterranean anchovies.

Regulation (EEC) No 2204/82 provided for the grant of a special carry-over premium for Mediterranean sardines and anchovies, payable either to processors who had concluded a purchase contract with producers' organizations or to producers' organizations in respect of the quantities processed directly by such organizations or under their responsibility. However, since such producers' organizations did not exist in Greece the Regulation also provided for a two-year derogation covering individual producers and processors established in Greece. This derogation was extended for 1985 and, when it was extended this derogation, the Council agreed that before 31 December 1985 it would conduct a review of the procedure for the grant of this premium in 1986 with an eye to extending the 1985 Greek derogation for a further year.

This Regulation extends the derogation in respect of anchovies only for 1986, which will be the last year in which the special carry-over premium is granted.

STRUCTURAL POLICY

Structural aid for the conversion of sardine-canning plants

The Council adopted the Regulation on a system of structural aid for the conversion of sardine-canning plants.

This Regulation follows the Council's statements of 18 and 19 December 1984 and 22 and 23 July 1985 in which it was announced that the measures agreed upon within the framework of the accession negotiations in order to integrate Spanish and Portuguese sardine production into the Community should be accompanied by specific transitional measures to assist the sardine industry in the present Community. One specific measure, introducing compensatory indemnities, has already been adopted ⁽¹⁾. The present Regulation provides for flat-rate structural aid of 10 MECU over 3 years to be granted to sardine-canning plants in the Member States of the present Community.

⁽¹⁾ See Press release 10090/85 (Presse 157) of 4 November 1985.

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Restructuring, modernization and development of aquaculture

The Council adopted the Regulation extending the common measure for restructuring, modernizing and developing the fishing industry and for developing aquaculture.

The period envisaged for carrying out the common measure for restructuring, modernizing and developing the fishing industry and for developing aquaculture established by Regulation (EEC) No 2908/83 comes to an end on 31 December 1985.

The other structural policy measures introduced in the fisheries sector in 1983 (Regulation (EEC) No 2909/83 and Directive 83/515/EEC of 4 October 1983) expire at the end of 1986.

In order to be able to start a comprehensive study of the results of these measures in 1986 and to be in a position to make proposals to the Council relating to the continuation of this structural policy from 1987 onwards, the Commission considered it advisable to extend the validity of Regulation (EEC) No 2908/83 for one year. That is the aim of the present proposal, which also contains certain financial adjustments necessitated by the accession of Spain and Portugal and the withdrawal of Greenland from the Community; the additional cost for 1986 is estimated at 74 MECU.

= Exploratory fishing and co-operation through joint ventures in the fishing sector

= Measures to adjust capacity in the fisheries sector

The Council adopted the Regulation and the Directive designed to provide additional finance for these two measures in order to offset in 1986 the additional costs arising from the accession of the new Member States.

The total estimated cost will therefore be increased:

- Regulation (EEC) No 2909/83 : from 18 to 23 MECU
- Directive 83/515/CEE : from 76 to 106 MECU.

CONTROL MEASURES

The Council adopted the Regulation amending the Regulation on control measures for fishing activities by vessels of the Member States. This new Regulation is intended to make the controlling compliance with conservation measures more effective in the light of experience acquired since the implementation of the common fisheries policy.

The Council also adopted another Regulation laying down the measures to be taken in respect of operators who do not comply with certain provisions relating to fishing contained in the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal.

RELATIONS AS REGARDS FISHERIES WITH CERTAIN THIRD COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Council took note of an oral report by the Commission representative concerning relations between the Community and certain third countries, in particular Canada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Gambia, Cape Verde, Tanzania, Kenya, Somalia, Mozambique, Mauritania and Japan.

ANNEX 1

TACs by stock and by area for 1986 and shares available to the Community of Ten

Species	Zone	TAC 1986 (in tonnes)	Shares available to the Community for 1986 (in tonnes)
Cod	IIIa) Skagerrak	29 000 (*)	23 920
Cod	IIIa) Kattegat	17 000 (*)	10 250
Cod	IIIb),c),d) (EC Zone)	127 000	126 000
Cod	IIa) (EC zone), IV	170 000	161 300
Cod	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	25 000	25 000
Cod	VII except VIIa); VIII (EC zone)	16 000 (*)	16 000
Cod	VIIa)	15 000	15 000
Haddock	IIIa); IIIb),c),d) (EC zone)	11 500 (*)	9 930
Haddock	IIa) (EC zone), IV	230 000	195 200
Haddock	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	34 500	34 500
Haddock	VII; VIII (EC zone)	6 000 (*)	6 000
Saithe	IIa) (EC zone), IIIa); IIIb),c),d) (EC zone), IV	240 000	120 200
Saithe	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	27 000	27 000
Saithe	VII; VIII (EC zone)	9 000	9 000
Whiting	IIIa); IIIb),c),d) (EC zone)	22 150 (*)	19 650
Whiting	IIa) (EC zone), IV	135 000	101 400
Whiting	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	18 400	18 400
Whiting	VIIa)	10 170	10 170
Whiting	VII except VIIa)	20 500 (*)	20 500
European plaice	IIIa) Skagerrak	14 500 (*)	13 500
European plaice	IIIa) Kattegat	5 500 (*)	4 950
European plaice	IIa) (EC zone), IV	180 000	177 400
European plaice	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	1 810 (*)	1 810
European plaice	VIIa)	5 000	5 000
European plaice	VIIb),c)	200 (*)	200
European plaice	VII d),e)	6 900	6 900
European plaice	VII f),g)	1 800 (*)	1 800
European plaice	VII h),j),k)	800 (*)	800
European plaice	VIII (EC zone)	250 (*)	250
Common sole	IIIa); IIIb),c),d) (EC zone)	600 (*)	600
Common sole	II, IV	20 000	20 000
Common sole	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV	70 (*)	70
Common sole	VIIa)	1 900	1 900
Common sole	VIIb),c)	60 (*)	60
Common sole	VII d)	3 200	3 200
Common sole	VII e)	1 300	1 300
Common sole	VII f),g)	1 500	1 500
Common sole	VII h),j),k)	600 (*)	600
Common sole	VIII (EC zone)	3 305 (*)	3 305
Mackerel	IIa) (EC zone), IIIa); IIIb),c),d) (EC zone), IV	55 000	15 000
Mackerel	II (exc. EC zone), Vb) (EC zone), VI, VII; VIII (EC zone), XII	362 000	334 000
Sprat	IIIa)	80 000	52 600
Sprat	IIIb),c),d) (EC Zone)	8 000	8 000

TACs by stock and by areas for 1986 and shares available to the Community of Ten

Species	Zone	TAC 1986 (in tonnes)	Shares available to the Community for 1986 (in tonnes)
Sprat	IIa) (EC zone), IV (EC zone)	100 000 (*)	87 000
Sprat	VII d), e)	5 000 (*)	5 000
Horse mackerel	IIa) (EC zone), IV (EC zone)	30 000 (*)	30 000
Horse mackerel	Vb) (EC zone), VI, VII, XII, XIV	85 000 (*)	78 250
Horse mackerel	VIII (EC zone)	4 000 (*)	4 000
Hake	IIa), II(b), c), d) (EC zone)	1 500 (*)	1 500
Hake	IIa) (EC zone), IV (EC zone)	2 360 (*)	2 360
Hake	Vb) (EC zone), VI, VII, XII, XIV		19 000
Hake	VIII (EC zone)		12 500
Anchovy	VIII (EC zone)	3 200 (*)	3 200
Norway pout	I(a) (EC zone), IIIa); IV (EC zone)	368 000	300 800
Blue whiting	IIa) (EC zone), IV	100 000	50 000
Blue whiting	Vb) (EC zone), VI, VII	300 000	252 000
Blue whiting	VIII (EC zone)	13 000 (*)	13 000
Analarfish	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV		7 500
Analarfish	VII		28 980
Analarfish	VIII (EC zone)		7 640
Hearin	Vb) (EC zone), VI, XII, XIV		3 900
Hearin	VII		10 110
Hearin	VIII (EC zone)		900
Redfish	NAFO 3Ps (EC zone)		
Common prawn	French Guyana	2 650 (*)	2 000
Herring	IIa)	48 000	19 500
Herring	II(b), c), d) (EC zone)	18 000	16 180
Herring	I(a) (EC zone), IVa) (EC zone), IVb) (EC zone)	300 000	288 425
Herring	IVc) except Blackwater stock VII d)	70 000	70 000
Herring	Vb) (EC zone), VIa) North VII b)	51 850	46 200
Herring	VIa) South, VII b), c)	17 000	17 000
Herring	VIa) Clyde stock	3 100	3 100
Herring	VII a) (1)	6 300	6 300
Herring	VII e), f)	500 (*)	500
Herring	VII g) to k) (12)	17 200	17 200
Capelin	II b)		0
Atlantic salmon	II(b), c), d) (EC Zone)	878 (*)	870

(*) Precautionary TAC

Amendment of the Regulation on TAC/QUOTAS for 1986 for the Community of Ten following the accession
of Spain and Portugal

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Species	Area	TAC 1986 (in tonnes)	Shares available to the Community for 1986	B	D	ESP	F	IRL	NL	UK
Common Sole	VIII	3.400 (*)	3.400	10(2)		95 (3)	3.190		105 (2)	
Hake	Vb (EC area), VI, VII XII, XIV	25.190(*) (1)	25.190	240		6.190(1)(4)	12.430	1.550	110	4.670
Hake	VIII except VIIIc	19.810(*) (1)	19.810	10(2)		7.310 (1)	12.480		10 (2)	
Anchovy	VIII	32.000	32.000			28.800	3.200			
Anglerfish	Vb (EC area), VI XII, XIV	7.820 (*)	7.820	280	320	320 (4)	3.450	780	270	2.400
Anglerfish	VII	30.070 (*)	30.070	2.780	310	1.090 (4)	17.840	2.280	360	5.410
Anglerfish	VIII except VIIIc	9.010 (*)	9.010			1.370	7.640			
Megrin	Vb (EC area), VI XII, XIV	4.400 (*)	4.400			500 (4)	1.950	570		1.380
Megrin	VII	14.440 (*)	14.440	390		4.330 (4)	5.260	2.390		2.070
Megrin	VIII except VIIIc	2.020 (*)	2.020			1.120	900			

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- (*) Precautionary TAC.
- (¹) Not including the flat-rate amounts allocated under Council Regulation (EEC) No / , OJ No L , , p. .
- (²) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of France, or in the international waters of the area in question.
- (³) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member State concerned, or in the international waters of the area in question.
- (⁴) Excluding the area situated south of 56°30'N, east of 12°00'W and north of 50°30'N.

Species	Area	TAC 1986 (in tonnes)	Shares available to the Community in 1986 (in tonnes)	B	ESP	F	IRL	P	UK
Pollack	Vb (EC Area), VI, XII, XIV	715 (*)	715		5 (1)	350	10		350
Pollack	VII	8.670 (*)	8.670	300	20 (1)	7.100	50		1.200
Pollack	VIIIa, b	3.700 (*)	3.700		630	3.070			
Pollack	VIIIc	800 (*)	800		720	80			
Pollack	VIIIId, e	200 (*)	200			200			
Pollack	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	400 (*)	400		200 (2)			200 (2)	
Whiting	VIII	5.000 (*)	5.000		2.000(2)	3.000			
Whiting	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	3.000 (*)	3.000					3.000 (2)	
Sole	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	1.600 (*)	1.600		400(2)			1.200 (2)	
Mackerel	VIIIc, IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	24.700 (*)	24.700		19.000(2)	200		5.500 (2)	
Horse mackerel	VIIIc	27.500 (*)	27.500		27.000(2)	500			
Horse mackerel	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	45.000 (*)	45.000		12.000(3)			33.000 (4)	
Hake	VIIIc, IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	29.300 (*)	29.300		18.750(5)	1.800		8.750 (6)	
Anchovy	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	3.000 (*)	3.000		1.000(2)			2.000 (2)	
Blue Whiting	VIIIc, IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	40.000 (*)	40.000		30.000(2)			10.000 (2)	
Anglerfish	VIIIc, IX, X; CECAF	12.000 (*)	12.000		10.000(2)	10		1.990 (2)	
Megrim	VIIIc, IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	13.000 (*)	13.000		12.000(2)	600		400 (2)	
Norway lobster	Vb (EC Area), VI	14.800 (*)	14.800		30 (1)	120	200		14.450
Norway lobster	VII	24.700	24.700		1.500(1)	6.000	9.100		8.100
Norway lobster	VIIIa, b,	7.500 (*)	7.500		450	7.050			
Norway lobster	VIIIc	400 (*)	400		380	20			
Norway lobster	VIIIId, e	100 (*)	100			100			
Norway lobster	IX, X; CECAF 34.1.1 (EC Area)	4.000 (*)	4.000		1.000(2)			3.000 (2)	

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- (³) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member State concerned, or in the international waters of the area in question, except for 2 250 tonnes which may be fished for in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Portugal.
- (⁴) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member State concerned, or in the international waters of the area in question, except for 2 250 tonnes which may be fished for in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Spain.
- (⁵) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member State concerned, or in the international waters of the area in question, except for 850 tonnes which may be fished for in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Portugal.
- (⁶) May be fished for only in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of the Member State concerned, or in the international waters of the area in question, except for 850 tonnes which may be fished for in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Spain.

Allocation of Community catch quotas in Greenland waters for 1986

Species	Area	Community catch quotas (tonnes)	Member State shares (tonnes)	Norwegian shares (tonnes) (shown for information only)	Faroese quotas in Greenland waters according to EC/Greenland Fisheries Protocol (1) (tonnes) (shown for information only)
1	2	3	4	5	6
Coel	NAFO I ICES XIV/V	p.m. 11 300	Germany 10 000 United Kingdom 1 300	-	
Redfish	NAFO I	10 000	Germany 980 United Kingdom 190	-	
	ICES XIV/V	57 820	Germany 37 140 France 480 United Kingdom 270	-	300
Greenland halibut	NAFO I	1 650	Germany 1 575 United Kingdom 75	-	150
	ICES XIV/V	2 730	Germany 1 375 United Kingdom 175	200	150
Halibut	NAFO I	200	-	200 ⁽²⁾	
Deep-water prawns	NAFO I	2 300 1 600	France 575 Denmark 575	450 ⁽²⁾	475 ⁽³⁾
	ICES XIV/V	2 300 3 350	France 650 Denmark 650	2 050	675
Carfish	NAFO I	2 000	Germany 2 000	-	
Blue whiting	ICES XIV/V	30 000	Denmark 3 000 France 3 000 Germany 24 000	-	
Capelin	ICES XIV/V	20 000	Denmark 20 000	-	10 000

- (1) These Faroese quotas are additional to the Community catch quotas and form part of the fishery arrangement for 1986 agreed on by the Community and the Faroe Islands.
 (2) Only to be fished by long-liners.
 (3) South of 68° N.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

General budget of the European Communities for 1986

The Council agreed to appeal against the 1986 budget as adopted by the European Parliament and the declaration of this adoption by the President of the European Parliament.

Agriculture

As a result of the accession of Spain and Portugal to the European Communities, the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Regulations:

- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain types of manufactured tobacco falling within heading No 24.02 of the Common Customs Tariff and processed in the Canary Islands (1986);
- on stocks of agricultural products in Spain;
- on stocks of agricultural products in Portugal;
- laying down the arrangements applying to trade in agricultural products between Spain and Portugal;
- laying down detailed rules concerning quantitative restrictions on imports into Portugal from third countries of certain agricultural products subject to the system of transition by stages;
- laying down detailed rules concerning quantitative restrictions on imports into Spain of certain fruits and vegetables from third countries;
- adapting, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, certain agricultural acts as regards the voting procedure of the Committees;
- adapting certain Regulations relating to the eggs and poultry sector consequent upon the accession of Spain and Portugal;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 43/81 establishing the list of representative markets for pigmeat in the Community on account of the accession of Spain;

- on the disposal by the Kingdom of Spain of the raw tobacco stored in that country from harvests prior to accession;
- adapting Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 on the common organization of the market in hops on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal;
- adapting Regulation (EEC) No 1674/72 laying down general rules for granting and financing aid for seed on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal;
- adapting, on account of the accession of Spain, Regulation (EEC) No 985/68 laying down general rules for intervention on the market in butter and cream;
- fixing the basic duties levied on imports into Spain of certain products in the oils and fats sector;
- adapting certain Regulations on oils and fats on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 on account of the accession of Spain;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 3103/76 as regards the list of durum wheat production regions in which aid for durum wheat is granted in Spain;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 2742/75 as regards production refunds applicable in Spain in the cereals sector;
- adjusting, on account of the accession of Spain, Regulation (EEC) No 1357/80 in the beef and veal sector;
- laying down the provisions enabling the origins of Spanish red table wines to be determined and their commercial movements to be followed;
- listing the areas under wine in certain Spanish regions for which table wines may have an actual alcoholic strength less than that required by Community rules;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 1678/85 fixing the conversion rates to be applied in agriculture;

- amending, consequent upon the accession of Spain and Portugal, Regulation (EEC) No 729/70 as regards the financial framework of the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund;
- adapting the acts taken by the Community in the field of agricultural structures consequent upon the accession of Spain and Portugal;
- adapting, consequent upon the accession of Spain, Council Regulation (EEC) No 777/85 on the granting, for the 1985/1986 to the 1989/1990 wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums in respect of certain areas under vine;
- setting up a specific development programme for agriculture in Portugal;
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for agricultural products originating in the Canary Islands (1986):
 - = for tomatoes, cucumbers and aubergines falling within heading ex 07.01 of the Common Customs Tariff
 - = for new potatoes and avacados falling within subheadings ex 07.01 A II and 08.01 D of the Common Customs Tariff
 - = for certain live plants falling within subheadings ex 06.01 A, 06.02 A II and ex 06.02 D of the Common Customs Tariff
 - = for beans (of the species phaseolus), onions and sweet peppers falling within heading ex 07.01 of the Common Customs Tariff
 - = for fresh flowers falling within subheading 06.03 A of the Common Customs Tariff;
- concerning certain national aids in the agricultural sector which are incompatible with the common market but which the Kingdom of Spain is authorized to maintain on a transitional basis;
- concerning certain national aids in the agricultural sector which are incompatible with the common market but which the Portuguese Republic is authorized to maintain on a transitional basis;
- adapting Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 and Regulation (EEC) No 1985/82 as regards the sheepmeat and goatmeat sector following the accession of Spain and Portugal;

- adapting, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, certain Regulations relating to the wine sector.

The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities:

- the decisions amending, on account of the accession of the Kingdom of Spain and the Portuguese Republic:
 - = Council Decision 78/476/EEC on the equivalence of checks on practices for the maintenance of varieties carried out in third countries;
 - = the seventh Council Decision 85/356/EEC on the equivalence of seed produced in third countries;
 - = the seventh Council Decision 85/355/EEC on the equivalence of field inspections carried out in third countries on seed-producing crops.
- the Directive introducing technical adjustments to Directives 64/432/EEC, 64/433/EEC, 77/99/EEC, 77/504/EEC, 80/217/EEC and 80/1095/EEC on veterinary matters following the accession of Spain and Portugal.

The Council also took note of the Commission communication concerning an action programme for fruit and vegetables as a result of the accession of Spain.

Finally, the Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Directives:

- amending Directive 64/54/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning the preservatives authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption;
- concerning the introduction of Community methods of sampling and analysis for the monitoring of foodstuffs intended for human consumption.

La seance du Conseil Pêche qui est debutee le lundi 16 decembre 1985 et qui a ete interrompue lors de la nuit du 17 a 18 decembre, a ete repris hier matin en vue de la recherche d'un accord definitif sur les principaux problemes en litige, a savoir les Tac et quotas pour la Communauté a Dix d'une part et les Tac et quotas pour la Communauté a Douze d'autre part.

La seance a finalement pu etre conclue cette nuit a 1.00.h et d'une facon tres positive : l'accord voulu comme decrit ci-dessus a ete atteint et ceci a l'unanimité. S'agissant des Tac et quotas pour la Communauté a Dix la delegation irlandaise a fait savoir hier, au debut de la seance, qu'elle a pu lever son reserve vis-a-vis de la formule de compromis elaboree lors de seance de lundi et mardi et qui a ete deja souscrite a cette occasion par toutes les autres delegations (voire Note BIO (85)418).

De ce fait il ne restait que la recherche d'un consensus, y compris l'accord des delegations portugaise et espagnole, vis-a-vis des Tac et quotas 1986 pour la Communauté a Douze ainsi que concernant quelques autres propositions de reglement ayant une relation directe avec l'elargissement de la Communauté.

La presidence a soumis encore hier matin une formule de compromis concernant le niveau des Tac et quotas pour l'Espagne et le Portugal. C'etait sur cette base qu'une serie de contacts bilateraux ont eu lieu, avec la participation tres active de la Commission. Ces deliberations s'ayant poursuivies toute l'apres-midi, la session pleniere a ete reprise hier soir, permettant la presidence de soumettre une nouvelle formule de compromis pour tenir compte des positions enregistrees pendant la journee au meme egard.

Il est apparu ensuite que toutes les delegations pourraient accepter l'ensemble de ce dernier compromis, a l'exception de la delegation portugaise qui ne pouvait pas souscrire aux modalites suggerees relatives aux quantites attribues au Portugal pour la peche dans les eaux des Etats membres de la Communauté dans sa composition actuelle. En effet la delegation portugaise a insiste pour que les quantites suggerees pour le merlan poutassou et le chinchard devraient etre fixees a un niveau beaucoup plus eleve que celui indique par la presidence (10.000 t au lieu de 1000 t pour le merlan et 15.000 t au lieu de 2000 m pour le chinchard).

M. Andriessen, tout en pouvant s'associer a la formule de compromis de la presidence, a fait savoir qu'il ne pouvait pas rencontrer la position de la delegation portugaise, les chiffres demandes par cette derniere delegation, dans son avis, n'ayant aucune relation reelle avec les quantites pechees jusqu'ici par le Portugal pur les memes especes.

Devant cette situation le ministre portugais a demander d'entrer immediatement a la procedure de consultation, raison pour laquelle la seance a ete interrompue de nouveau pour permettre le Comite interimaire d'examiner la demande precitee de la delegation portugaise.

Suite a la reunion de ce Comite interimaire le Conseil a ete informe que la delegation portugaise pourrait accepter l'ensemble du compromis a la condition que les chiffres suggeres pour le merlan et le chinchard seraient fixes pour les 2 especes a 3000 t chacun. "En vue de rendre ainsi possible un accord definitif", M. Andriessen a ensuite fait savoir qu'il pouvait accepter ces derniers chiffres.

Ainsi la presidence a conclu l'accord definitif et unanime sur l'ensemble du paquet du compromis, notamment les Tac et quotas 1986 pour la Communaute a Douze ainsi que certaines mesures quantifiees relatives a la peche des Etats-Membres actuels dans les eaux de l'Espagne et du Portugal d'une part et du Portugal dans les eaux des Etats-Membres actuels d'autre part.

Avant de conclure la seance, et meme sans entamer un debat au meme sujet, les ministres ont marque leur accord concernant une proposition de reglement allouant pour 1986 les quantites de captures de la Communaute dans les eaux de Groenland. Les modalites maintenant accordees ont ete elaborees par la presidence apres que de nouvelles consultations avec les autorites groenlandaises avaient eu lieu en marge du Conseil au cours de la journee du 20 decembre 1985.

Amities,

H. Paemen

Bruxelles, le 13 decembre 1985

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RENDEZ-VOUS DE MIDI DU 13.12.1985

Sujets traites :

CONSEIL PECHE (voir BIO separee)

CONSEIL AFFAIRES GENERALES (C. Stathopoulos)

Le Conseil debutera ses travaux le lundi 16 decembre a 10h00 sur les resultats du dernier Conseil europeen de Luxembourg et la suite a donner aux decisions qui ont ete adoptees.

Le mardi, les ministres se pencheront sur les points suivants :

- Textiles : renouvellement de l'Accord Multifibre

Il s'agit d'un premier tour de table sur la proposition de la Commission a ce sujet qui a fait l'objet de notre note P-98. On ne s'attend pas a une adoption de cette proposition a ce stade.

- Repartition des ressources du Fonds Regional pour tenir compte de l'elargissement (voir note P-53)

Six delegations sont en mesure d'accepter les nouvelles fourchettes proposees par la Commission. La delegation italienne pourrait egalement accepter cette proposition dans la mesure ou les decisions budgetaires en ce qui concerne la dotation du FEDER pour 1986 n'aboutiraient pas a une reduction des montants de participation du Fonds. Les delegations grecque et irlandaise, tout en marquant leurs accords sur la methode de calcul utilisee par la Commission pour determiner les fourchettes de l'Espagne et du Portugal, ont estime que la charge de l'adhesion ne devait pas etre repartie de facon proportionnelle sur tous les Etats membres mais en tenant compte du PIB par habitant. La delegation du Royaume-Uni enfin, maintient sa demande que soit prise en compte pour l'adaptation des fourchettes l'aggravation des problemes de chomage structurel dans les regions en declin industriel.

RAPPEL :

La proposition de la Commission fixe les fourchettes pour l'Espagne et le Portugal et adapte les fourchettes des Dix de maniere proportionnelle a leurs fourchettes actuelles. Elle ne modifie donc pas les rapports existants entre les fourchettes des Dix. Elle prévoit en plus une augmentation de 45% en termes reels de la dotation du FEDER pour 1986 afin d'eviter une diminution en valeur absolue, par rapport a 1985, des ressources du Fonds dont les Dix peuvent beneficier. Or, a l'issue de la procedure budgetaire une telle augmentation semble etre exclue ce qui rend inevitables des pertes de credits, en valeur absolue, de la part des Dix. C'est la raison pour laquelle les Etats membres qui sont les principaux beneficiaires du FEDER ne peuvent pas accepter cette proposition.

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MATERIEL DIFFUSE

Calendrier de la semaine

- IP(85) 565 - Aide aux Pays en developpement non Associes
- IP(85) 568 - L'Europe contre le cancer
- IP(85) 572 - Aide en faveur des populations deplacees au Salvador
- IP(85) 573 - Nouvel instrument communautaire : nouveaux prets en Italie pour 115 milliards Lit.
- IP(85) 574 - SYSMIN - Zaire. Demande du Zaire de beneficier de la facilite de financement special pour le secteur cuivre-cobalt
- IP(85) 575 - Inauguration des archives historiques des Communautés europeennes
- IP(85) 577 - Fonds Europeen de Developpement
- MEMO 166/85- TACs et Quotas de peche

Amities,



G. ANOUIL, Comeur ////

Bruxelles, le 18 decembre 1985

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C.C. AUX MEMBRES DU SERVICE DU PORTE-PAROLE

CONSEIL AFFAIRES ETRANGERES

MODIFICATION DU REGLEMENT FEDER POUR TENIR COMPTE
DE L'ELARGISSEMENT (C. Stathopoulos)

Le Conseil n'est pas parvenu a un accord sur la proposition de la Commission de modifier les fourchettes du FEDER pour tenir compte de l'adhesion de l'Espagne et du Portugal.

Les autres delegations ayant marque leur accord sur cette proposition la delegation irlandaise insistait sur une augmentation de 0,45% de la limite inferieure de la fourchette de l'Irlande (3,8%). Ceci signifie que les irlandais voulaient avoir une limite inferieure de 4,26%, un pourcentage que la Commission ne pouvait pas accepter parce que le principe de sa proposition (reduction proportionnelle POUR TOUS apres reduction des fourchettes espagnoles et portugaises) serait compromis. M. Varfis a exprime la disponibilite de la Commission de garantir a l'Irlande les memes credits d'engagement pour 1986 que ceux prevus pour 1985 mais la delegation irlandaise a maintenu sa reserve. Cette reserve pourrait pourtant etre levee aujourd'hui au COREPER.

N.B. : le 0,45% d'augmentation supplementaire de la limite inferieure de leur fourchette demande par les irlandais correspond a environ 13,5 MECU.

Amities,

H. PAEMEN

to GA

Bruxelles, le 18 decembre 1985.

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CC. AUX MEMBRES DU SERVICE DU PORTE-PAROLE

CONSEIL PECHE (N. WEGTER)

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Après 2 jours de deliberations longues et difficiles, les Ministres de la Peche ont enregistre ce matin a 3h30 un accord politique relatif au TAC et quotas amendes pour 1985 ainsi que les TAC et quotas pour 1986, et ceci seulement pour la Communaute a 10. L'accord precite n'a pas encore pu etre formalise du fait qu'il reste encore une reserve de la delegation irlandaise, cette derniere insistant pour qu'elle puisse d'abord consulter son Gouvernement.

Il est entendu que le Conseil se reunira de nouveau le vendredi 20 decembre ou les 2 dossiers precites seront mis au vote.

D'autre part, le Conseil n'a pas encore ete en mesure de discuter au fond, voire decider, le deuxieme volet de l'ordre du jour de cette seance a savoir les TAC et quotas 86 pour la Communaute a 12 donc y compris les quantites attribuees a l'Espagne et au Portugal. Cette derniere question sera examinee aujourd'hui et demain au niveau du COREPER afin de permettre au Conseil d'y trancher definitivement lors de la reunion du vendredi.

L'accord politique maintenant enregistre porte egalement sur un accord Peche entre la CEE et la Norvege y compris les quantites de harengs dans la mer du Nord attribuees a ce pays. D'autre part, les Ministres ont confirme l'accord enregistre entre la Communaute et les Iles de Far Oer pour 1986.

L'ACCORD TAC ET QUOTAS 1986

Pratiquement toutes les deliberations de cette seance a partir du lundi apres-midi, et qui se sont passees pour une large dans le cadre bilateral avec un role tres actif de la Commission - ce sont concentres sur les efforts pour atteindre la solution de compromis pour les TAC et quotas pour 86 pour la Communaute dans sa composition actuelle.

C'etait la presidence en collaboration avec la Commission qui n'a soumis que hier soir un document portant sur l'ensemble des elements faisant partie de ce compromis.

Pour la plupart des especes des modifications legeres avaient ete proposees a titre des quotas pour les Etats membres.

Il est apparu ensuite rapidement que la plupart des delegations pourraient y inscrire dans le cadre d'un accord politique. Les seules delegations ayant fait part de leurs critiques vis-a-vis de la formule de compromis proposee etait la delegation allemande d'une part et les delegations danoise et irlandaise d'autre part. La delegation allemande a estime que le compromis a ete trop genereux en terme de l'augmentation des TAC et quotas; d'autre part, elle s'est reserve vis-a-vis d'une declaration faite en partie du meme compromis et qui fait part de l'intention de la Commission de soumettre au cours du mois d'aout de chaque annee des donnees statistiques en ce qui concerne les quantites de peche reellement pechees. Ces donnees devant etre accompagnees, le cas echeant, par des recommandations de la part de la Commission aux Etats Membres concernees pour effectuer des transferts des quotas non utilises.

Enfin, la delegation allemande n'a pas insiste sur ses reserves apres avoir pu constater que la declaration precitee a ete amendees pour mettre en evidence que les recommandations de la Commission pour le but precite ne prejurerait nulle part le niveau de quotas de l'annee suivante des Etats membres faisant des transferts.

La delegation danoise a longuement insiste sur une compensation au niveau des quotas du fait que le regime derogatoire valable pour les trois campagnes precedentes et prevoyant les quantites annuelles supplementaires de 2000 tonnes de cabillauds n'est plus valable a partir de 86. Toutefois, a ce point la meme delegation n'a pas insiste.

D'autre part, la delegation irlandaise ayant obtenu dans le cadre de la formule de compromis deja une augmentation tres sensible du niveau de son quota de maquereaux (+ 9000 t par rapport aux chiffres initialement proposes par la Commission) a tout au long de ces deliberations insiste pour que des quantites supplementaires (4000 t) devraient lui etre accordees pour cette espece. Le Ministre O'Toole a mis en evidence que le maquereau est relativement tres important pour l'industrie de la peche irlandaise, cette espece representant 40% de la totalite des quantites pechees, cette meme espece representant 60% de la valeur des exportations irlandaises en matiere de la peche.

Mr Andriessen tout en faisant part de sa comprehension vis-a-vis de la position irlandaise a toutefois fait savoir qu'une augmentation plus sensible du quota irlandais pour le maquereau conduirait a une augmentation du niveau des TAC pour la meme espece de sorte que le niveau des stocks pour les prochaines annees risquent d'etre mis en cause.

En guise de conclusion, la delegation irlandaise a declare qu'elle pourrait accepter une decision par le biais du vote sur l'ensemble du compromis discute mais ceci pas avant qu'elle ait eu l'occasion de consulter son Gouvernement en la matiere.

S'agissant de la reunion de vendredi prochain, il faut donc pour que les Ministres formalisent definitivement l'accord enregistre cette nuit. D'autre part, il reste des pourparlers difficiles a prevoir concernant les quotas a attribuer aux nouveaux Etats membres y compris la question delicate de l'acces de nombreux navires espagnols dans les eaux communautaires.

Amities,

H. PAEMEN