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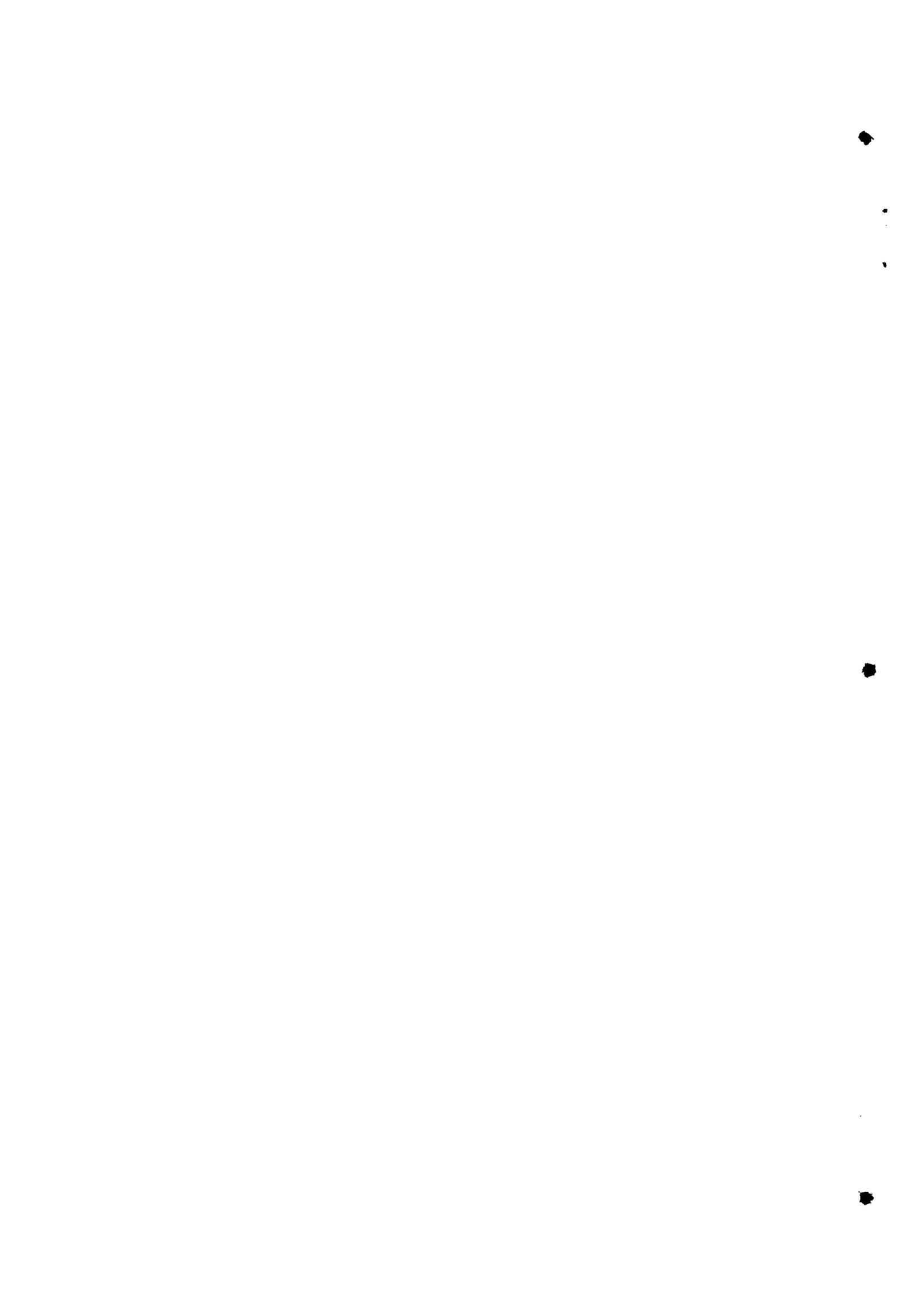
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(Submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Consultations were held between the European Economic Community on the one hand and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands on the other, on the introduction of measures relating to salmon fishing in North Atlantic waters.

These consultations resulted in the initialling of an agreement whereby the Faroese authorities have undertaken to restrict the total volume of salmon catches to 625 tonnes for the season 1983-1984.

The Commission proposes that the Council, after consultation of Parliament, adopt the draft regulation annexed hereto approving the agreement negotiated with the Faroe Islands and authorizes its President to designate the persons empowered to sign it.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Whereas the Community, on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands, on the other hand, have held consultations concerning salmon fishing in North Atlantic waters;

Whereas at the conclusion of these consultations the two delegations initialled an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters;

Whereas it is in the Community's interest to approve this Agreement,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community, on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faroe Islands, on the other hand, establishing measures for salmon fishing in North Atlantic waters is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement binding the Community.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

A. Letter from the Home Government of the Faroe Islands

Sir,

The Faroese authorities have noted that the European Economic Community has expressed concern regarding Faroese fishery of salmon.

I have the honour to confirm that the Faroese authorities have undertaken to introduce the following restrictions on Faroese salmon fishery unless quantitative restrictions have been implemented in the framework of the North-Atlantic Salmon Convention for the fishing season referred to below :

1. The Faroese authorities will restrict the total volume of salmon catches in Faroese waters (area of fisheries jurisdiction of Faroe Islands) as well as of salmon caught by Faroese vessels in waters outside the fisheries jurisdiction of the Faroe Islands, to a total of 625 metric tonnes in fresh round weight for the season starting on 1 October 1983 and ending on 31 May 1984.
2. No fishing for salmon will take place outside the fishing seasons referred to under paragraph 1.

I would be grateful if you would confirm that the European Economic Community is in agreement with the foregoing.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Home Government
of the Faroe Islands

B. Letter from the European Economic Community

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of today's date, which reads as follows :

"The Faroese authorities have noted that the European Economic Community has expressed concern regarding Faroese fishery of salmon.

I have the honour to confirm that the Faroese authorities have undertaken to introduce the following restrictions on Faroese salmon fishery unless quantitative restrictions have been implemented in the framework of the North-Atlantic Salmon Convention for the fishing season referred to below :

1. The Faroese authorities will restrict the total volume of salmon catches in Faroese waters (area of fisheries jurisdiction of Faroe Islands) as well as of salmon caught by Faroese vessels in waters outside the fisheries jurisdiction of the Faroe Islands to a total of 625 metric tonnes in fresh round weight for the season starting on 1 October 1983 and ending on 31 May 1984.
2. No fishing for salmon will take place outside the fishing seasons referred to under paragraph 1.

I would be grateful if you would confirm that the European Economic Community is in agreement with the foregoing."

I have the honour to inform you that the Community has taken note of the contents of your letter.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.