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FROM CHAPTER 100 - PROVISIONAL APPROPRIATIONS 1 400 000 EUA

TO CHAPTER 89 - COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY FOR CERTAIN
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM
AGREEMENTS ON FISHING RIGHTS IN
NON-COMMUNITY WATERS

Article 891 - Payment of compensation for salmon fishing in the Baltic 500 000 EUA

Article 892 - Payments in respect of compensation and dues relating to fishing in the maritime waters of certain African countries 900 000 EUA

The Financial Controller approved the proposal on 25 September 1980 and certified that the appropriations are available.

GROUNDS

On 27 June the Council concluded fisheries agreements with Sweden, Senegal and Guinea-Bissau (OJ L 226, 29 August 1980). Before then the agreements had applied provisionally, since 15 June 1979 in the case of Senegal, 27 February 1980 in the case of Guinea-Bissau and 2 April 1980 in the case of Sweden.

The provisional agreements with Guinea-Bissau and Sweden committed the Community to paying the former 1 100 000 EUA from Chapter 89 within eight weeks following 27 February 1980 and the latter 500 000 EUA before 1 June 1980, using the provisional twelfths scheme in both cases. However, the appropriations earmarked for these payments have been entered in Chapter 100 of the 1980 budget as adopted - belatedly - on 9 July 1980¹. The only appropriations entered in Chapter 89 (4 500 000 EUA under Article 892) were originally intended to cover expenditure arising from the agreement with Senegal exclusively, but instead all payments due in the first half of the year had to be drawn from them.

The second tranche of the compensation provided for in the agreement with Senegal, some 1 250 m CFA or approximately 4 300 000 EUA, was due on 10 August 1980, twelve months after the first tranche or one year and eight weeks after 15 June 1979.

However, now that financial contributions have been made to the Swedish and Guinea-Bissau programmes under the provisional twelfths scheme, the appropriations in Chapter 89 of the 1980 budget have dwindled to only two-thirds of the amount due to Senegal. Accordingly, two transfers from Chapter 100 are urgently needed in order to pay the balance, rectify the situation as regards Articles 891 and 892 and provide funds for Article 892.

¹ Of the appropriations entered in Chapter 100, some 700 000 EUA are intended to cover expenditure arising from the agreement reached with Sweden on salmon fishing in the Baltic (Article 891) and 7 m EUA are intended for payments in respect of compensation and dues relating to fishing in the maritime waters of certain African countries, Guinea-Bissau being the most prominent (Article 892).

APPROPRIATIONS IN CHAPTER 100 AT 23 SEPTEMBER 1980

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	Appropriations for commitment	Appropriations for payment
1. Total appropriations	75 093 900	51 693 900
2. Appropriations in process of being transferred	8 836 200	5 836 200
3. Appropriations still entered in Chapter 100	66 257 700	45 857 700

Article	Requirements for 1980	1980 budget		Balance to be covered by transfer from Chapter 100	SITUATION AS AT 26 SEPTEMBER 1980		
		Appropriations entered in Chapter 89	Appropriations entered in Chapter 100		Appropriations	Commitments	Balance
891	500 000	token entry	700 000	500 000	500 000 (from Article 892)	492 352	7 648
892	4 300 000 (Senegal) 1 100 000 (Guinea-Bissau)	4 500 000	7 000 000	900 000	4 000 000 (500 000 transferred to Article 891)	1 098 854	2 901 146