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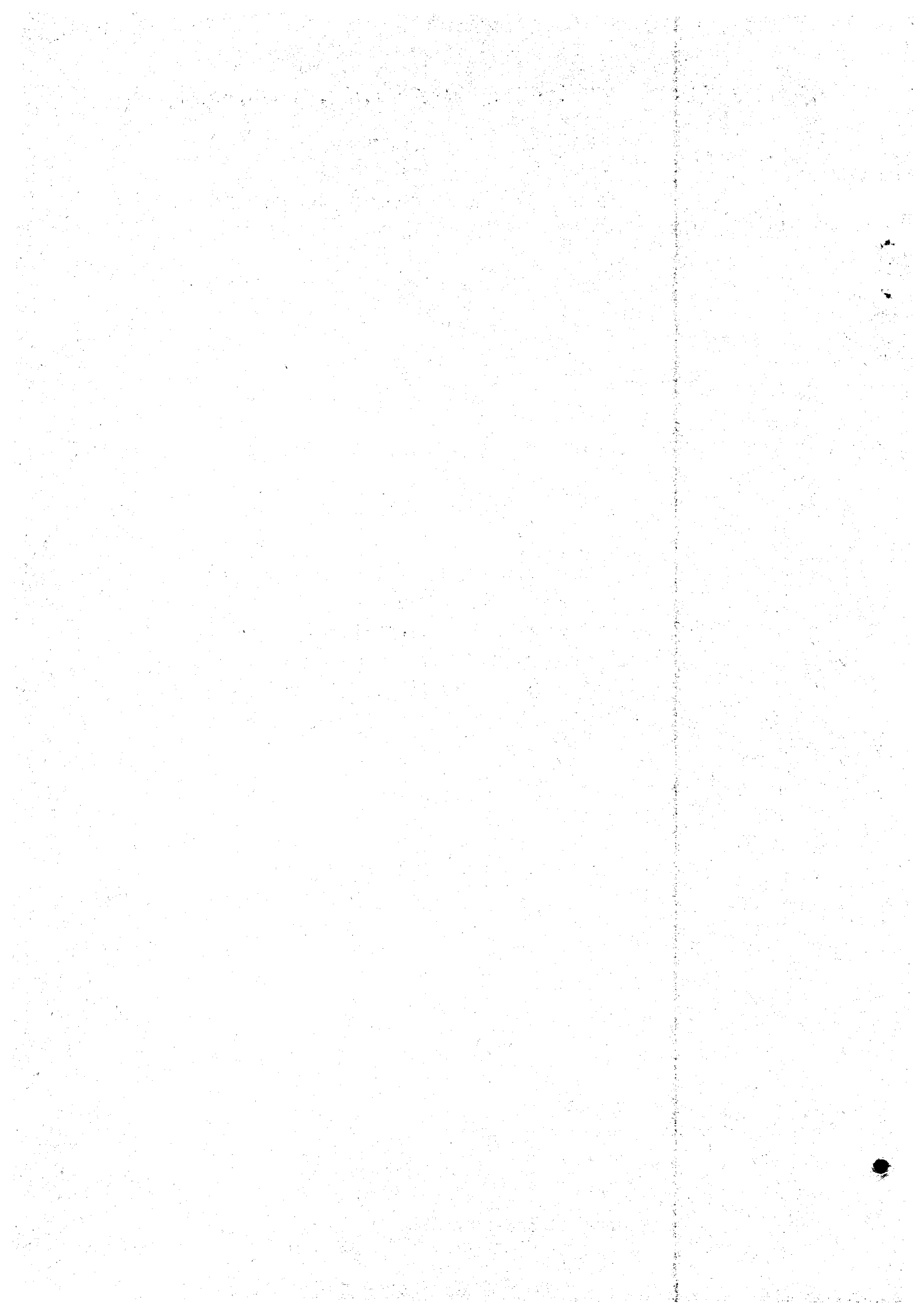
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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)  
LAYING DOWN CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR  
CERTAIN FISH STOCKS OCCURRING IN THE WATERS OFF THE  
WEST GREENLAND COAST APPLICABLE IN 1979 TO VESSELS  
FLYING THE FLAG OF MEMBER STATES OF THE COMMUNITY

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(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

In accordance with the Fisheries Agreement between the Community and the Government of Canada, signed on 28 June 1979, delegations from the Community and Canada consulted each other on the management of certain stocks which live in the waters between the Canadian coast and Greenland. The delegations agreed to recommend to their authorities that for 1979 a joint management arrangement be adopted for these stocks and that certain conservation measures be taken.

The Commission has already forwarded to the Council a proposal for a Regulation establishing catch quotas for Community fishermen<sup>1)</sup> in accordance with the conservation measures agreed by the two delegations.

The proposed Regulation allocates the Community quotas provided for in the Regulation referred to above between the Member States and it makes provision for establishing controls to ensure that these quotas are not exceeded.

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1) COM(79) 74 final, 16.2.1979.

PROPOSAL

FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION

laying down conservation and management measures for certain fish stocks occurring in the waters off the West Greenland coast applicable in 1979 to vessels flying the flag of Member States of the Community.

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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,<sup>(1)</sup>

Whereas the Community and Canada have signed an Agreement on fisheries ;

Whereas, under this Agreement, the two parties undertake to cooperate in order to ensure the proper management and conservation of stocks occurring both within the area under the fisheries jurisdiction of Canada and within the fishery zone of the Community, hereafter called joint stocks;

Whereas in consultations which have taken place between Canada and the Community concerning fishing in the waters of the Davis Straits, Baffin Bay and the north-eastern part of the Labrador Sea, constituting together the subareas 0 and 1 as defined in the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries<sup>(2)</sup>, the two delegations agreed to recommend to their authorities the fixing for 1979 of catch quotas for certain joint stocks for each party within its own zone and within that of the other party; whereas it is appropriate that the Community confirms for its part the outcome of these consultations;

Whereas the fishing possibilities available to the Community should be allocated equitably between fishermen in the Community; whereas for practical reasons the allocation between individual fishermen should be administered by Member States and whereas it is therefore necessary to allocate the Community quotas between Member States;

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(2) J.O. n° L378 - 30.12.1978 p.1.

Whereas it is necessary to reserve coastal fishing and a large proportion of the total catch for the people of the Greenland littoral, who have no other economic activity open to them;

Whereas information about actual catches should be made available in order to ensure that the allocations are respected; whereas the Commission will receive reports from Member States, about catches or landings pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No /79 of 1979 establishing catch quotas for 1979 for fishing by vessels flying the flag of Member States of the Community for certain stocks occurring both in the maritime waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Member States of the Community and in those under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Canada<sup>(3)</sup>; whereas, however, the information contained in these reports about catches of off-shore vessels which are landing catches at long intervals will not be sufficiently up-to-date to ensure adequate control of the quotas, and whereas it is therefore necessary to establish a system for direct catch reports from off-shore vessels,

HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING REGULATION :

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Article 1

Catches of the species referred to in Annex I by vessels flying the flag of Member States of the Community in the waters covered by statistical subareas 0 and 1 defined in the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries and falling under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Denmark or Canada shall be limited in 1979 to the quotas set out in Annex I hereto.

Article 2

Vessels flying the flag of Member States of the Community of a gross registered tonnage greater than or equal to 80 which fish in the area referred to in Article 1 shall transmit to the Commission in accordance with the rules set out in Annex II the information specified in that Annex.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,  
The President

ANNEX I

Quotas  
(in 1000 kg)

Species	Part of the area referred to in Article 1	Denmark	Fed. Rep. of Germany	France
Greenland halibut ( <i>Rheinhardtius hippoglossoides</i> )	entire area	8.500(1)	11.100	-
Roundnose grenadier ( <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i> )	entire area	2.200(1)	5.500	-
Deep-water prawn ( <i>Pandalus borealis</i> )	Fishing zone of Denmark inside 12 miles from base-lines	unlimited (1)	-	-
	Fishing zone of Denmark outside 12 miles from base-lines			
	- North of 68° N	3.000(1)	-	-
	- South of 68° N	13.361(2)	-	423
	Fishing zone of Canada	1.524(3)	-	40

(1) To be fished by Greenland coastal fishermen

(2) Of which 12.120 T to be fished by Greenland coastal fishermen

(3) Of which 1.380 T to be fished by Greenland coastal fishermen

## ANNEX II

1. The information to be transmitted to the Commission and the timetable for its transmission shall be as follows:

1.1. On each occasion the vessel enters the area referred to in Art. 1 :

- (a) the information specified under point 1.4 below;
- (b) the quantity (in kg) of each species of fish in the hold;
- (c) when and where fishing is to commence.

In the event that the fishing operation requires repeated daily entries into the area referred to in Art. 1 a single communication on first entering the area will suffice.

1.2. On each occasion the vessel leaves the area referred to in Art. 1 :

- (a) the information specified under point 1.4 below;
- (b) the quantity (in kg) of each species of fish in the hold;
- (c) the quantity (in kg) of each species caught since the previous transmission;
- (d) the NAFO subarea in which the catches were taken;
- (e) the quantity (in kg) of each species transferred to other vessels since the vessel entered the area referred to in Art.1 and the identification of the vessel to which the transfer was made;
- (f) the quantity (in kg) of each species landed in a port of the Community since the vessel entered the area referred to in Art.1.
- (g) the quantity (in kg) of discards specified by species since the previous transmission.

In the event that the fishing operations require repeated daily exits from the area referred to in Art.1 a single communication on the last exit will suffice.

1.3. At weekly intervals commencing on the seventh day after the vessel first enters the area referred to in Art.1

- (a) the information specified under point 1.4 below;
- (b) the quantity (in kg) of each species caught since the previous transmission;
- (c) the NAFO statistical subarea in which the catches were made.



- 1.4. a) The name, call sign, identification numbers and letters of the vessel and the name of its master;
- b) the serial number of the message;
- c) identification of the type of message;
- d) the date, the time and the geographical position of the vessel.

2.1. The information specified under point 1 shall be transmitted to the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels (telex address 24189 FISEU) via one of the radio stations listed under point 3 below and in the form specified under point 4.

2.2. If it is impossible for reasons of force majeure for the message to be transmitted by the vessel, it may be transmitted on the vessel's behalf by another vessel.

3. Name of radio station	Call sign of radio station
Skagen	OXF
Blavand	OXB
Rønne	OYE
Norddeich	DAF DAK
	DAN DAL
	DAI DAM
	DAJ DAN
Scheveningen	PCH
Oostende	OST
North Foreland	GTF
Humber	GKZ
Gullercoate	GCC
Wick	GKR
Oban	GNE
Portpatrick	GPK
Anglesey	GLV
Ilfracombe	GIL
Niton	GHI
Stonehaven	GND
Portshead	GKA
	GKB
	GKC
Land's End	GLD
Valentia	EJK
Malin Head	EJL
Boulogne	FTB
Brest	FFU
Saint-Nazaire	FTO
Bordeau-Arcachon	FTC
Prins Christians Sund	OZM)
Julianahab	OYD)
Godthab	OXI)
	Central Godthab
Holsteinborg	OYS)
Godhavn	OZM)

Thorshavn	OXJ
Velgerdsstasjon Paeringerham	22239
Bergen	LGN
Farsund	LGZ
Floro	LCL
Rogarland	LGQ
Tjome	LCT
Alesund	LGA

4. Form of communications.

The information specified under point 1 shall contain the following particulars, which shall be given in the following order :

- name of vessel;
- call sign;
- external identification letters and numbers;
- serial number of the message for the voyage in question;
- indication of the type of message according to the following code;
  - message - when entering the area referred to in Art.1 : IN
  - message - when leaving the area referred to in Art.1 : OUT
  - weekly message : 'WKL'
- the geographical position;
- the NAFO statistical subarea in which fishing is expected to commence;
- the date on which fishing is expected to commence;
- the quantity (in kg) of each species of fish in the hold using the code mentioned in point 5 below;
- the quantity (in kg) of each species discarded since the previous transmission using the code mentioned in point 5 below.
- the NAFO statistical subarea in which the catches were made;
- the quantity (in kg) of each species transferred to other vessels since the previous transmission;
- the name and call sign of the vessel to which the transfer was made;
- the quantity (in kg) of each species landed in a port of the Community since the previous transmission;
- name of the master.

5. The code to be used to indicate the quantities of fish on board as mentioned in point 4 above:

- A: Deep-water prawn (*Pandalus borealis*),
- B: Hake (*Merluccius merluccius*),
- C: Greenland halibut (*Rheinhardtius hippoglossoides*),
- D: Cod (*Gadus morhua*),
- E: Haddock (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*),
- F: Halibut (*Hippoglossus hippoglossus*),
- G: Mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*),
- H: Horse-mackerel (*Trachurus trachurus*),
- I: Round-nose grenadier (*Coryphaenoides rupestris*),
- J: Saithe (*Pollachius virens*),
- K: Whiting (*Merluccius merlangus*),
- L: Herring (*Clupea harengus*),
- M: Sandeel (*Ammodytes* sp.),
- N: Sprat (*Clupea sprattus*),
- O: Plaice (*Pleuronectes platessa*),
- P: Norway pout (*Trisopterus esmarkii*),
- Q: Ling (*Molva molva*),
- R: Other,
- S: Shrimp (*Penaeidae*),
- T: Anchovy (*Engraulis encrasicolus*)

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