

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation on measures to encourage exploratory fishing and cooperation through joint ventures in the fishing sector (doc. COM(80) 420 final, 18.7.80)

Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation on a common measure for restructuring, modernizing and developing the fishing industry and for developing aquaculture (doc. COM(80) 420 final, 18 July 1980)

Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation concerning the coordination and promotion of fisheries research (doc. COM(80) 420 final, 18 July 1980)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission under Article 149, second paragraph of the EEC Treaty)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

On 22 July 1980, the Commission submitted to the Council several proposals relating to structural policy in the fisheries sector (1). These consisted of

- A proposal for a Council regulation on measures to encourage exploratory fishing and cooperation through joint ventures in the fishing sector ;
- A proposal for a Council regulation on a common measure for restructuring, modernizing and developing the fishing industry and for developing aquaculture ;
- A proposal for a Council regulation concerning the coordination and promotion of fisheries research.

The European Parliament was consulted by the Council and gave its opinion upon these proposals during its meeting of 19 December 1980.

The Commission proposes that the Council should adopt some of the proposed amendments and therefore modifies, as indicated in the Annex, its proposals of 22 July 1980.

(1) Doc. COM (80)420 final of 18 July 1980

I. Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation on measures to encourage exploratory fishing and cooperation through joint ventures in the fishing sector (doc. COM(80)420 final, 18.7.80)

Article 6

- amend, as follows, sub-paragraphs a) and b) :

(a) they must be undertaken by fishing vessels the length between perpendiculars of which is greater than 30 metres.

(c) there must be one or more scientific observers on board, or where this is not possible, a scientific observer should participate in the preparation of the voyage and the evaluation of its findings.

Article 11

- amend, as follows, paragraph 4 :

4. The estimated cost of the Community's total contribution is 17 million ECU. This figure is purely indicative.

II. Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation on a common measure for restructuring, modernizing and developing the fishing industry and for developing aquaculture (doc. COM(80)420 final, 18 July 1980.)

Article 11

- Insert in paragraph 1 the following point b):

b) in respect of modernization of fishing vessels, projects intended to improve the efficient use of fuel or type of fishing which will permit a reduction in use of fuel,

- Consequently, the original points b), c) and d) of sub-paragraph 1 become c), d) and e).

Article 14

- Amend, as follows, paragraph 2 :

2. The total cost of the common measure to the Fund is estimated at 211 million ECU. This figure is purely indicative.

III. Amendment to the proposal for a Council regulation concerning the coordination and promotion of fisheries research (doc. COM(80)420¹ final, 18 July 1980)

Article 6

- Amend, as follows, paragraph 3 :

3. The Community may participate in the costs following from the implementation of the programmes. The total cost of this participation is estimated at 5 million ECU shared between the various programmes according to Annex II. This figure is purely indicative. The appropriations necessary for each financial year are fixed annually in the general budget of the Community.