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## Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture

**on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-247/81) for a regulation laying down for 1981 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels registered in the Faroe Islands**

**Rapporteur: Mr R. BATTERSBY**

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By letter of 15 May 1981 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation laying down for 1981 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels registered in the Faroe Islands.

At the same time the Council requested application of urgent procedure according to Article 57 of the Rules of Procedure.

On 20 May 1981, the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible.

On 21 May 1981, the Committee on Agriculture appointed Mr Battersby rapporteur.

It considered this proposal at its meeting of 20-21 May 1981.

At the same meeting the Committee unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

Present: Sir Henry Plumb, chairman; Mr Battersby, rapporteur; Miss Barbarella, Mr Caillavet, Mr Clinton, Mr Cronin (deputizing for Mr Davern), Mr Curry, Mr Gatto, Mr Gautier, Mr Hord, Mr Kirk, Mr McCartin (deputizing for Mr Früh), Mr Papaefstratiou, Mr Provan, Ms Quin, Mr Verges (deputizing for Mr Maffre-Baugé) and Mr Wettig.

The explanatory statement will be presented orally.



The Committee on Agriculture hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation laying down for 1981 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels registered in the Faroe Islands

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(81) 202 final),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-247/81),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 1-265/81),
  - having regard to the special dependence of the Faroes on the fishing industry,
  - having regard to the importance of maintaining good relations with the Faroes,
  - having regard to the importance of the North Atlantic Salmon fishery to the Member States of the Community and the Faroes,
1. Welcomes the agreement of the Faroese Home Government to cooperate with the Community on the conservation of the North Atlantic Salmon;
  2. Requests the Commission to ensure that area restrictions applicable to the Faroese waters do not prevent full utilization of Community fishermen of quota allocation in Faroese waters;
  3. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

QUOTAS FOR FAROESE VESSELS FISHING IN THE COMMUNITY ZONE  
(tonnes)

Species	Area within which fishing is authorized	Proposed for 1981	1980
Herring	Skagerrak	650	600
Ling, tusk	ICES VIb	1,000	1,000
Blue Ling	ICES VIa, VIb	200	
Mackerel	ICES IV ICES VIa, VIIe,f,h ICES IV, VIa, VIIe,f,h	2,000 11,000	2,500 21,000
Horse-mackerel	ICES IV, VIa, VIIe,f,h	6,000	5,000
Norway pout	ICES IV, VIa	30,000	20,000
Sprat	ICES IV, VIa	15,000	15,000
Sandeal	ICES IV	15,000	15,000
Northern deep-water prawn (Pandalus borealis)	NAFO 1 ICES XIV	600 1,200	1,880 Experimental fishery only
Blue whiting	ICES VIa, VIb, VII	20,000	25,000
Greenland halibut	NAFO 1 ICES XIV	150 150	) ) 250
Porbeagle	Entire Community zone	300	
Redfish	NAFO 1 ICES XIV		) ) 500
Other white fish (by-catches only)	ICES IV, VIa	750	750

QUOTAS FOR COMMUNITY VESSELS FISHING IN THE FAROESE ZONE  
(tonnes)

Species	ICES Division	Proposed for 1981	1980
Cod	Vb	1,250	1,750
Haddock	Vb	1,250	1,750
Saithe	Vb	3,500	5,500
Redfish	Vb	4,800	5,000
Blue Ling	Vb	4,500	4,400
Ling	Vb	500	500
Tusk	Vb	400	300
Flatfish	Vb	500	500
Blue whiting	Vb	25,000	25,000
Other species	Vb	500	500