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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2153/77

of 27 September 1977

laying down certain interim measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Finland or Portugal

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Council adopted, on 3 November 1976, a set of resolutions concerning certain external and internal aspects of the common fisheries policy;

Whereas in Regulation (EEC) No 373/77 [1] the Council laid down, for the period 1 January to 31 March 1977, certain interim measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of certain non-member countries, and in particular of Finland and Portugal;

Whereas in Regulation (EEC) No 746/77 [2] the Council extended the application of certain provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 373/77;

Whereas in Regulation (EEC) No 1412/77 [3] the Council laid down certain interim measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Finland or Portugal;

Whereas the above Regulations were adopted in order to establish interim measures pending the conclusion of negotiations between the Community and these countries with a view to concluding framework agreements on fisheries;

Whereas these negotiations have not yet been concluded, and it is therefore necessary to adopt further interim measures for a three-month period,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The only catches which Finland and Portugal are authorized to make from 1 October until 31 December 1977 in the 200-nautical mile fishing zones of the Member States situated off the North Sea and Atlantic coasts and covered by Community rules on fisheries, and the places where such catches may be made, are laid down in Annex I.

2. The fishing quotas shall be granted subject to compliance with the conservation measures and supervisory measures and other provisions governing fishing in the zones referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 373/77.

Article 2

1. Fishing within the zones referred to in Article 1 by vessels flying the flag of Finland or Portugal shall be subject to the granting of a licence on behalf of the Community by the Commission, and to observance of the conditions set out in the licence.

2. Each licence shall be valid for one vessel only for a period not extending beyond 31 December 1977 and for the species of fish indicated in the licence within the quantitative and geographical limits referred to in Article 1.

3. The maximum number of vessels permitted to fish at the same time in a given geographical zone is laid down in Annex II.

[1] OJ No L 53, 25. 2. 1977, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 90, 8. 4. 1977, p. 8.
[3] OJ No L 160, 30. 6. 1977, p. 5.

Article 3

When an application for a licence is submitted to the Commission, the following information shall be supplied :

(a) name of the vessel ;

(b) registration number and external identification letters and numbers ;

(c) port of registration ;

(d) gross tonnage and overall length ;

(e) call sign.

Article 4

Member States shall take measures to ensure, as far as possible, the enforcement of Articles 1 and 2 as regards the maritime waters coming under their sovereignty or falling under their jurisdiction, including in particular regular inspection of the vessels of non-member countries.

In this connection, Member States and the Commission shall communicate to each other the information required for compliance with this Regulation, with regard in particular to the monitoring of the volume of catches taken by vessels from the non-member countries concerned.

Article 5

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

It shall apply until 31 December 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 September 1977.

For the Council

The President

A. HUMBLET

ANNEX I

Quantities which may be caught by vessels flying the flag of Finland or Portugal, by species and fishing area

The zones concerned are those defined by the International Council for the Exploration of the Seas (ICES) or defined in the Annex to the Convention establishing the International Commission for the North-West Atlantic Fisheries Commission (ICNAF), in so far as they are situated in the fishing zones of the Member States extending up to 200-nautical miles from coasts bordering on the North Sea and the Atlantic, and covered by Community rules on fisheries.

(a) Vessels flying the flag of Finland :

Species	Zone	Quantity
Herring	IV (ICES)	token entry

(b) Vessels flying the flag of Portugal :

Species	Zone	Quantity
Cod	1 (ICNAF)	—

ANNEX II

Maximum number of vessels and vessel types permitted to fish at the same time in a given zone for which a licence has been obtained

Zone	Type of vessel	Number of vesseels
1 ICNAF	Vessels flying the flag of Portugal of a tonnage not greater than 1 250 GRT, and equipped with a gill net, to the exclusion of any trawl	—
	Vessels flying the flag of Finland	token entry