COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2149/87

of 20 July 1987

concerning the stopping of fishing for plaice and saithe by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2057/82 of 29 June 1982 establishing certain control measures for fishing activities [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 4027/86 [2], and in particular Article 10 (3) thereof,

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 4034/86 of 22 December 1986, fixing, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, total allowable catches for 1987 and certain conditions under which they may be fished [3], provides for plaice and saithe quotas for 1987;

Whereas, in order to ensure compliance with the provisions relating to the quantitative limitations on catches of stocks subject to quotas, it is necessary for the Commission to fix the date by which catches made by vessels flying the flag of a Member State are deemed to have exhausted the quota allocated;

Whereas, according to the information communicated to the Commission, catches of plaice and saithe in the waters of ICES divisions V b (EC-zone), VI, XII and XIV by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom or registered in the United Kingdom have reached the quotas allocated for 1987; whereas the United Kingdom has prohibited fishing for these stocks as from 17 July 1987; whereas it is therefore necessary to abide by that date,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Catches of plaice and saithe in the waters of ICES divisions V b (EC-zone), VI, XII and XIV by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom or registered in the United Kingdom are deemed to have exhausted the quotas allocated to the United Kingdom for 1987.

Fishing for plaice and saithe in the waters of ICES divisions V b (EC-zone), VI, XII and XIV by vessels flying the flag of the United Kingdom or registered in the United Kingdom is prohibited, as well as the retention on board, the transhipment and the landing of such stocks captured by the abovementioned vessels after the date of application of this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply with effect from 17 July 1987.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 July 1987.

For the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 220, 29. 7. 1982, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 376, 31. 12. 1986, p. 4.
[3] OJ No L 376, 31. 12. 1986, p. 39.