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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1952/96

of 7 October 1996

amending, for the fourth time, Regulation (EC) No 3074/95 fixing, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, the total allowable catches for 1996 and certain conditions under which they may be fished

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92 of 20 December 1992 establishing a Community system for fisheries and aquaculture [1], and in particular Article 8 (4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, under the terms of Article 8 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92, it is incumbent upon the Council to establish the total allowable catches (TACs) by fishery or group of fisheries;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 3074/95 [2] fixes, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, the TACs for 1996 and certain conditions under which they may be fished;

Whereas, within the framework of the bilateral consultations on the reciprocal fishing rights between the Community and Norway, the Community share for North Sea plaice has been increased and the share of the TAC of blue whiting available to Norway in areas V b (EC zone), VI and VII has been increased;

Whereas, within the framework of the bilateral consultations on the reciprocal fishing rights between the Community and Poland, the Community share for baltic cod has been decreased;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 3074/95 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The tables in the Annex to this Regulation shall replace the corresponding tables of the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 3074/95.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of 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 Luxembourg, 7 October 1996.

For the Council

The President

P. RABBITTE

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[1] OJ No L 389, 31. 12. 1992, p. 1. Regulation as amended by the 1994 Act of Accession.

[2] OJ No L 330, 30. 12. 1995, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1602/96 (OJ No L 198, 8. 8. 1996, p. 1).

ANNEX

Species: Plaice *Pleuronectes platessa*		**Zone:** II a (1), IV
België/Belgique	4 900	(1) Community waters.
Danmark	15 920	(2) Of which no more than 40 000 tonnes may be fished in waters under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Norway.
Deutschland	4 590	
Ελλάδα		
España		
France	920	
Ireland		
Italia		
Luxembourg		
Nederland	30 600	
Österreich		
Portugal		
Suomi/Finland		
Sverige		
United Kingdom	22 650	
EC (2)	79 580	
TAC	81 000	

Species: Blue whiting *Micromesistius poutassou*		**Zone:** V b (1), VI, VII
België/Belgique		(1) Community waters.
Danmark		(2) Of wich 5 000 tonnes may be fished either in ICES divisions V b (EC zone), VI, VII or VIII a, b, d (1).
Deutschland		(3) Available to all Member States, except Spain, Portugal, Sweden and Finland.
Ελλάδα		(*) Precautionary TAC .
España	20 000 (2)	
France		
Ireland		
Italia		
Luxembourg		
Nederland		
Österreich		
Portugal	1 500	
Suomi/Finland		
Sverige		
United Kingdom	47 500 (3)	
EC	69 000	
TAC	350 000 (*)	

Species: Cod *Gadus morhua*		**Zone:** III b, c, d (1)
België/Belgique		(1) Community waters.
Danmark	45 910	(2) Excluding an additional 60 tonnes of flatfish as bycatch in waters of the Community as constituted in 1994.
Deutschland	20 070	(3) Of which, for Germany and Denmark together, no more than 1 100 tonnes may be fished in the Estonian zone, no more than 700 tonnes in the Latvian zone, and no more than 700 tonnes in the Lithuanian zone.
Ελλάδα		(4) Of which no more than 135 tonnes may be fished in the Latvian zone.
España		
France		
Ireland		
Italia		
Luxembourg		
Nederland		
Österreich		
Portugal		
Suomi/Finland	2 260 (4)	
Sverige	33 895 (2)	
United Kingdom		
EC	102 135 (3)	
TAC	103 915	