COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1131/97

of 17 June 1997

amending Regulation (EC) No 391/97 fixing, for 1997, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Norway

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 Regulation (EC) No 391/97 [2] lays down, for 1997, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Norway;

Whereas the Community, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Norway and the Russian Federation held consultations which led, on 14 December 1996, to recommending to the respective authorities an arrangement on the management and sharing of Norwegian spring-spawning herring (Atlanto-Scandian herring) in 1997;

Whereas pursuant to this arrangement, a subsequent arrangement on reciprocal access was agreed upon by the Community and Norway, under which Norway may fish 10 000 tonnes of its share in Community fishing waters north of 62° N;

Whereas the Community and Norway held further consultations pertaining to the conduct of this fishery and, in particular, the licensing conditions;

Whereas it is now necessary to implement these arrangements in as much as access of vessels flying the flag of Norway to Community fishing waters is concerned and to amend Regulation (EC) No 391/97 accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 391/97 is hereby amended as follows:

1. The following subparagraph shall be added after the first subparagraph of Article 1 (1):

   'By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, ten licences and special fishing permits valid on any one day shall be issued by the Commission on behalf of the Community for vessels fishing herring in ICES division IIa (north of 62° N)'.

2. The table which appears in the Annex to this Regulation shall be added to Annex I.

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, 17 June 1997.

For the Council

The President

A. JORRITSMA-LEBBINK

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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 66, 6. 3. 1997, p. 49.

ANNEX

Norwegian catch quotas for 1997

(in tonnes, fresh round weight)

Species	Area within which fishing is authorized	Quantity
Herring	ICES IIa	10 000