COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2748/1999

of 17 December 1999

fixing the Community producer price for the fishery products listed in Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 for the 2000 fishing year

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 of 17 December 1992 on the common organization of the market in fishery and aquaculture products [1], and in particular Article 17(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) Article 17(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 provides that a Community producer price should be fixed for each of the products listed in Annex III to that Regulation;

(2) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3510/82 [2] sets down the conversion factors applicable to different species of tuna; it is not therefore necessary to fix the Community producer price for all species of tuna listed in Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 but only for yellow-fin tuna (Thunnus albacares);

(3) On the basis of the criteria laid down in the first and second indents of Article 9(2) and in Article 17(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92, the price for the 2000 fishing year should be decreased;

(4) The fishing year begins on 1 January 2000 for the products covered by this Regulation; given the urgency of the matter, it is imperative to grant an exception to the six-week period mentioned in point 1(3) of the Protocol on the role of national parliaments in the European Union annexed to the Treaty of Amsterdam,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Community producer price for the fishing year 1 January to 31 December 2000 for yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*) is hereby fixed as follows:

(EUR/tonne)

Species	Commercial specifications	Community producer price
Yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*)	Whole, weighing more than 10 kg each	1 221

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1999.

For the Council

The President

K. HEMILÄ

[1] OJ L 388, 31.12.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3318/94 (OJ L 350, 31.12.1994, p. 15).

[2] OJ L 368, 28.12.1982, p. 27. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3899/92 (OJ L 392, 31.12.1992, p. 24).