

PROTOCOL 2

establishing, for the period 1 April 1990 to 31 March 1991, the crawfish fishing opportunities and corresponding financial compensation provided for in the agreement on relations in the sea fisheries sector between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco

THE PARTIES TO THIS PROTOCOL,

Having regard to the Agreement on relations in the sea fisheries sector between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco, signed in Rabat on 26 May 1988,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

From 1 April 1990 to 31 March 1991 five crawfish fishing licences using only pots shall be granted each month for a total gross registered tonnage not exceeding an average 600 in the southern zone. Unused gross registered tonnage in the course of one three-month period may be offset during the following three-month periods.

Vessels holding a crawfish fishing licence may retain only pots on board.

Article 2

At the request of Morocco and with a view to increasing knowledge of crawfish stocks, vessels authorized under this Protocol shall undertake to take on board a scientific observer designated by the Moroccan Ministry of Maritime Fishing and the Merchant Navy.

The observer's conditions on board shall be those provided for in the Annex to the Agreement.

Article 3

In accordance with Moroccan Regulations, vessels authorized under this Protocol shall not fish for crawfish in the

period from 1 July to 30 September of each year, corresponding to the peak reproduction period of these species.

Article 4

The financial compensation for the period provided for in Article 1 shall be set at ECU 300 000, payable to the account of the Ministry for Maritime Fishing and the Merchant Navy at the General Treasury.

Article 5

Before expiry of this Protocol, the Contracting Parties shall meet in the framework of the Joint Committee referred to in Article 10 of the Agreement in order to establish the fishing opportunities and the corresponding Community compensation for the following year.

Article 6

Protocol 2 annexed to the Agreement on relations in the sea fisheries sector between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco for the period from 1 March 1988 to 28 February 1990 is hereby replaced by this Protocol.

Article 7

This Protocol shall enter into force on the date on which it is signed.

It shall be provisionally applicable from 1 April 1990.