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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1696/2000
of 20 July 2000**

amending Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 fixing for 2000 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where limitations in catch are required

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:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 of 17 December 1999 fixing for 2000 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where limitations in catch are required and amending Regulation (EC) No 66/98 ⁽²⁾ establishes conditions to manage the exploitation rates of stocks of Community interest.
- (2) In accordance with the procedure provided for in the Agreement on fisheries between the European Economic Community, of the one part, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Government of the Faeroe Islands of the other part ⁽³⁾ and in the Agreement on fisheries relations between the European Community and the Republic of Estonia ⁽⁴⁾ the Community has held consultations with the Home Government of the Faeroe Islands and the Republic of Estonia. The delegations agreed to recommend to their respective authorities to fix, for the year 2000, certain fishing opportunities in the form of quotas and licences for the vessels of the other Party. The necessary measures should be taken to implement the results of the consultations in Community legislation.

- (3) The areas where Norwegian vessels may fish for blue whiting should be precisely defined, in order to exclude certain zones north and west of Ireland, as specified in the Agreed Record of consultations between the European Community and the Kingdom of Norway on fishing rights for 2000 (Brussels, 2 December 1999).
- (4) Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 should be amended accordingly.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2742/1999 is hereby amended as follows:

1. the following entry shall be inserted in the table of Article 3(3):

'Estonia	EUR 216 695'
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2. the term 'Estonia' shall be inserted in Article 10 between 'Barbados' and 'Guyana' and in subparagraph (ii) of Article 11 before 'Latvia';
3. the entries in Annex I shall replace the corresponding entries in Annex I A;
4. the entries in Annex II shall be inserted in Annex I A;
5. the entries in Annex III shall replace the corresponding entries in Annex I D;
6. the entry in Annex IV shall be inserted in Annex VI;
7. the entry in Annex V shall be inserted in Annex VI bis.

Article 2

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

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 341, 31.12.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1447/2000 (OJ L 163, 4.7.2000, p. 5).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 226, 29.8.1980, p. 12.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 332, 20.12.1996, p. 16.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 July 2000.

For the Council

The President

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ANNEX I

Species: Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>	Zone: IIIbcd (EC waters), except Management Unit 3	
Denmark	23 243	(1) To be counted against the Estonian share of the IBSFC TAC. (2) To be counted against the Latvian share of the IBSFC TAC. (3) To be counted against the Lithuanian share of the IBSFC TAC.
Germany	70 486	
Finland	26 350	
Sweden	95 971	
EC	216 050	
Estonia	2 000 (1)	
Latvia	1 000 (2)	
Lithuania	500 (3)	
Poland	4 000	
Russian Federation	2 500	
TAC	405 000	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	Estonian waters	Latvian waters	Lithuanian waters	Management Unit 3
EC	2 000	1 000	500	
Sweden				8 000

Species: Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>	Zone: IIIbcd (EC waters)	
Denmark	29 051	(1) Of which 500 tonnes are allocated in Estonian waters but shall be fished in Community waters. (2) To be counted against the Estonian share of the IBSFC TAC. (3) To be counted against the Latvian share of the IBSFC TAC. (4) To be counted against the Lithuanian share of the IBSFC TAC. (5) To be fished only with gillnets.
Germany	12 707	
Finland	1 551	
Sweden	21 453	
EC	64 762 (1)	
Estonia	600 (2)	
Latvia	2 100 (3)	
Lithuania	1 000 (4)	
Poland	350 (5)	
TAC	105 000	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	Estonian waters	Latvian waters	Lithuanian waters
EC	600	1 300	1 000

Species: Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i>		Zone: IIIbcd (EC waters) ⁽¹⁾
Denmark	94 105 ⁽²⁾	⁽¹⁾ Excluding Sub-division 32 of IBSFC. ⁽²⁾ Expressed by number of individual fish. ⁽³⁾ Of which 6 750 individuals are allocated in Estonian waters but shall be fished in Community waters. ⁽⁴⁾ To be counted against the Latvian share of the TAC. ⁽⁵⁾ To be counted against the Lithuanian share of the TAC.
Germany	10 469 ⁽²⁾	
Finland	116 595 ⁽²⁾	
Sweden	124 958 ⁽²⁾	
EC	346 127 ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾	
Latvia	1 000 ⁽²⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	
Lithuania	500 ⁽²⁾ ⁽⁵⁾	
TAC	450 000 ⁽²⁾	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	Latvian waters	Lithuanian waters
EC	3 000	500

Species: Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>		Zone: IIIbcd (EC waters)
Denmark	35 480	⁽¹⁾ To be counted against the Estonian share of the IBSFC TAC. ⁽²⁾ To be counted against the Latvian share of the IBSFC TAC. ⁽³⁾ To be counted against the Lithuanian share of the IBSFC TAC.
Germany	22 478	
Finland	18 573	
Sweden	81 589	
EC	158 120	
Estonia	2 000 ⁽¹⁾	
Latvia	8 000 ⁽²⁾	
Lithuania	4 000 ⁽³⁾	
Poland	4 000	
TAC	400 000	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	Estonian waters	Latvian waters	Lithuanian waters
EC	4 000	8 000	4 000

ANNEX II

Species: Herring <i>Clupea harengus</i>		Zone: III d (Estonian waters)
	2 000 ⁽¹⁾	(1) Available to Denmark, Germany, Finland and Sweden within the respective quotas for III bcd (EC waters).
EC	2 000 ⁽²⁾	
TAC	405 000	
Species: Cod <i>Gadus morhua</i>		Zone: III d (Estonian waters)
	600 ⁽¹⁾	(1) Available to Denmark, Germany, Finland and Sweden within the respective quotas for III bcd (EC waters).
EC	600 ⁽²⁾	
TAC	105 000	
Species: Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>		Zone: III d (Estonian waters)
	4 000 ⁽¹⁾	(1) Available to Denmark, Germany, Finland and Sweden within the respective quotas for III bcd (EC waters).
EC	4 000 ⁽²⁾	
TAC	400 000	

ANNEX III

Species: Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i>		Zone: Vb (EC waters), VI, VII, XII and XIV
Denmark	3 370	(1) Excluding blue whiting taken within the quotas for mixtures of sandeel, Norway pout and sprat (see sandeels in the North Sea). (2) Fishing is prohibited in subarea VIa south of 56° 30' N and in subarea VII east of 12° W. (3) May be taken in IIa (EC waters). (4) Of which up to 9 000 t may consist of argentine (<i>Argentina</i> spp.). (5) Includes unavoidable by-catches of argentine (<i>Argentina</i> spp.). (6) Excluding 40 000 t that may be taken by Norway in IVa (EC waters). (7) Of which up to 40 000 t may be taken by Norway in IVa (EC waters).
Germany	13 040	
Spain	21 730	
France	18 150	
Ireland	26 080	
Netherlands	40 970	
Portugal	1 630	
United Kingdom	38 030	
EC	163 000	
Norway	222 000 (1) (2) (3) (4) (7)	
Faroe Islands	62 000 (1) (2) (5)	
TAC	407 000 (1) (6)	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified:

	VIIIa,b,d,e	IVa
Spain	5 000	
Norway		40 000

Species: Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>		Zone: IIa (non-EC waters), Vb (EC waters), VI, VII, VIIIabde, XII, XIV
Germany	21 080 (1)	(1) May not be fished in the waters under the sovereignty of the jurisdiction of Spain. (2) May be fished only in the waters under the sovereignty or within the jurisdiction of Spain or in the international waters of the zone concerned. (3) May be fished only in IIa, IVa, VIa (north of 56° 30' N), VIIId,e,f,h. (4) May be fished only in VIa (north of 56° 30' N), VIIe,f,h, except for 1 580 t that may be fished in IVa. Includes 4 360 t to be counted against the Faroese share of the TAC. (5) TAC agreed by the EC, Norway and Faroe Islands for the whole stock of western mackerel.
Spain	20 (2)	
France	14 060 (1)	
Ireland	70 270 (1)	
The Netherlands	30 740 (1)	
United Kingdom	193 240 (1)	
EC	329 410 (1)	
Norway	13 460 (3)	
Faroe Islands	9 600 (4)	
TAC	560 000 (5)	

Special conditions:

Within the limits of the abovementioned quotas, no more than the quantities given below may be taken in the zones specified, and only during the period 1 January to 15 February and 1 October to 31 December, except for the Faroe Islands, for which the periods applicable shall only be 1 October to 31 December in IVa (EC waters) and the whole year in VIa North of 56° 30' N:

	IVa (EC waters)	Vla North of 56° 30' N
Germany	6 720	
France	4 480	
Ireland	22 400	
The Netherlands	9 800	
United Kingdom	61 600	
Norway	13 460	
Faroe Islands	1 580	4 360

Species: Mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i>		Zone: Vb (Faroese waters)
Denmark	4 360 ⁽¹⁾	⁽¹⁾ May be fished in IVa (EC waters)
EC	4 360	
TAC	Not relevant	

ANNEX IV

Estonian waters	All fisheries	250	80
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ANNEX V

Estonia	Herring and sprat, III d	106	63
	Cod, III d	14	7