

COMMISSION DECISION**of 23 July 2003****on the eligibility of expenditure to be incurred by certain Member States in 2003 for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy***(notified under document number C(2003) 2629)*

(2003/553/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

the Member States concerned in accordance with Article 6(1)(a) of Decision 2000/439/EC on the basis of that assessment.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

- (4) A second instalment will be forwarded in 2004, following the transmission and acceptance by the Commission of a financial and technical report of activity detailing the state of completion of the aims set at the time of drawing up the minimum and extended programmes, in accordance with Article 6(1)(b) of Decision 2000/439/EC and Article 6(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001.

Having regard to Council Decision 2000/439/EC of 29 June 2000 on a financial contribution from the Community towards the expenditure incurred by Member States in collecting data and for financing studies and pilot projects for carrying out the common fisheries policy ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 4(3) thereof,

- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture,

Whereas:

- (1) According to Article 4(3) of Decision 2000/439/EC, the Commission, on the basis of the information provided by the Member States, decides each year on the eligibility of the expenditure forecast by the Member States and on the amount of the financial assistance from the Community for the following year.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

- (2) The Commission has received updates of the five-year programmes from Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal, Finland, Sweden and the United Kingdom that describe the data they intend to collect between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003 pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 of 29 June 2000 establishing a Community framework for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy ⁽²⁾. They have also submitted applications for a financial contribution for the expenditure referred to in Article 4 of Decision 2000/439/EC.

This Decision establishes for 2003 the amount of the eligible expenditure for each Member State and the rates of the Community financial contribution for the collection and management of the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy.

Article 2

- (3) Pursuant to Article 6 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1639/2001 of 25 July 2001 establishing the minimum and extended programme for the collection of data in the fisheries sector and laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1543/2000 ⁽³⁾, the Commission has examined Member States' national programmes for 2003 and has assessed the eligibility of the expenditures on the basis of those programmes. A first instalment should be delivered to

Expenditure incurred in collecting and managing the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy, as set out in Annex I, shall qualify for a financial contribution up to 50 % of the eligible expenditure within the minimum programme.

Article 3

Expenditure incurred in collecting and managing the data needed to conduct the common fisheries policy, as set out in Annex II, shall qualify for a financial contribution up to 35 % of the eligible expenditure within the extended programme.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176, 15.7.2000, p. 42.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 176, 15.7.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 222, 17.8.2001, p. 53.

Article 4

1. The Community shall pay a first instalment of 50 % of the financial contribution set out in Annexes I and II.
2. A second instalment will be delivered in 2004, after the reception and acceptance of a financial and a technical report provided for in Article 6(1)(b) of Decision 2000/439/EC.

Article 5

1. The euro exchange rate used to calculate the amounts eligible under this Decision shall be the rate in force in May 2002.
2. The expenditure declarations and applications for advances in national currency received from the Member States not participating in the third stage of economic and monetary union shall be converted into euro at the rate in force for the month in which those declarations and applications reach the Commission.

Article 6

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, the Kingdom of Spain, the French Republic, Ireland, the Italian Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Portuguese Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Done at Brussels, 23 July 2003.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

ANEXO I/BILAG I/ANHANG I/ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ I/ANNEX I/ANNEXE I/ALLEGATO I/BIJLAGE I/ANEXO I/LIITE I/
BILAGA I

(EUR)

| Estado miembro Medlemsstat Mitgliedstaat Κράτος μέλος Member State État membre Stato membro Lidstaat Estado-Membro Jäsenvaltio Medlemsstat | Gastos subvencionables Støtteberettigede udgifter Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες Eligible expenditure Dépenses admissibles Spese ammissibili In aanmerking komende uitgaven Despesas elegíveis Hyväksyttävät menot Bidragsberättigande kostnader | Contribución max. de la Comunidad Fællesskabets maksimale finansielle bidrag Maximaler Gemeinschaftsbeitrag Μέγιστη κοινοτική συμμετοχή Max. Community contribution Participation communautaire maximale Contributo max. della Comunità Maximale bijdrage van de Gemeenschap Contribuição max. da Comunidade Yhteisön osuus enintään Gemenskapens maximala bidrag |
|--|---|---|
| België/Belgique | 1 000 250 | 500 125 |
| Danmark | 3 568 416 | 1 784 208 |
| Deutschland | 3 090 024 | 1 545 012 |
| Ελλάς | 1 693 432 | 846 716 |
| España | 5 610 985 | 2 805 493 |
| France | 5 562 235 | 2 781 118 |
| Ireland | 2 650 895 | 1 325 448 |
| Italia | 4 242 090 | 2 121 045 |
| Nederland | 2 471 154 | 1 235 577 |
| Portugal | 3 204 843 | 1 602 422 |
| Suomi | 954 618 | 477 309 |
| Sverige | 1 962 020 | 981 010 |
| United Kingdom | 6 547 577 | 3 273 788 |
| Total/I alt/Σύνολο/Totale/Totaal/ Yhteensä/Totalt | 42 558 539 | 21 279 271 |

ANEXO II/BILAG II/ANHANG II/ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ II/ANNEX II/ANNEXE II/ALLEGATO II/BIJLAGE II/ANEXO II/LIITE II/
BILAGA II

(EUR)

| Estado miembro Medlemsstat Mitgliedstaat Κράτος μέλος Member State État membre Stato membro Lidstaat Estado-Membro Jäsenvaltio Medlemsstat | Gastos subvencionables Støtteberettigede udgifter Erstattungsfähige Ausgaben Επιλέξιμες δαπάνες Eligible expenditure Dépenses admissibles Spese ammissibili In aanmerking komende uitgaven Despesas elegíveis Hyväksyttävät menot Bidragsberättigande kostnader | Contribución max. de la Comunidad Fællesskabets maksimale finansielle bidrag Maximaler Gemeinschaftsbeitrag Μέγιστη κοινοτική συμμετοχή Max. Community contribution Participation communautaire maximale Contributo max. della Comunità Maximale bijdrage van de Gemeenschap Contribuição max. da Comunidade Yhteisön osuus enintään Gemenskapens maximala bidrag |
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| België/Belgique | 0 | 0 |
| Danmark | 12 468 | 4 364 |
| Deutschland | 0 | 0 |
| Ελλάς | 204 333 | 71 517 |
| España | 0 | 0 |
| France | 455 222 | 159 328 |
| Ireland | 0 | 0 |
| Italia | 980 560 | 343 196 |
| Nederland | 426 904 | 149 416 |
| Portugal | 0 | 0 |
| Suomi | 217 715 | 76 200 |
| Sverige | 98 538 | 34 488 |
| United Kingdom | 2 124 031 | 743 411 |
| Total/I alt/Σύνολο/Totale/Totaal/ Yhteensä/Totalt | 4 519 771 | 1 581 920 |