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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

amending, for the second time, Regulation (EC) No. 3090/95 laying down for 1996 certain conservation and management measures for fishery resources in the Regulatory Area as defined in the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the North West Atlantic Fisheries

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Regulation (EC) No. 3090/95 established, for 1996, Community catch quotas for different fishery resources in the NAFO (Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization) Regulatory Area. While most of these catch quotas are allocated to Member States in the said Regulation, in the case of Atlantic redfish in NAFO zone 3M, the Community catch quota of 4,030 tonnes is unallocated.

The allocation to the Member States should be based on the relative stability criteria - historical performance, losses in third country waters and dependence on fisheries of the regions concerned. As far as the historical performance is concerned, a period of 5 years is deemed to provide an adequate balance between the past catch records and the current fishing patterns. These criteria have been used for the allocation of Greenland halibut in the NAFO Regulatory Area for 1996.

The present proposal establishes an allocation of this quota among Member States, in order to ensure coherence and consistency among different quotas for different stocks in the NAFO Regulatory Area.

The Council is requested to adopt this proposal.

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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. 3090/95 ⁽²⁾ as amended by Regulation (EC) No./96 ⁽³⁾ lays down, inter alia, fishing quotas for Member States in the Regulatory Area for 1996;

Whereas in order to ensure full coherence and consistency between different measures concerning the limitation of catches on different stocks of the same species, it is necessary to allocate, among Member States, the Community catch quota of Atlantic redfish in NAFO zone 3M;

Whereas Regulation (EC) No. 3090/95 should therefore be amended for the second time;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No. 3090/95 is hereby amended as follows:

The Annex to this Regulation shall replace the corresponding section of the Annex to Regulation (EC) No. 3090/95.

⁽¹⁾ O.J. L 389, 31.12.1992, p.1.

⁽²⁾ O.J. L 330, 30.12.95, p.108.

⁽³⁾ O.J. L.....,, p.

Article 2

This regulation shall enter into force on the day following 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 Brussels,1996

For the Council
The President

ANNEX

Stock			Member State	1996 quota (tonnes)
Species	Geographical region	Zone		
Atlantic redfish	North West Atlantic	NAFO 3M	Belgium	1,332
			Denmark	
			Germany	
			Greece	
			Spain	204
			France	
			Ireland	
			Italy	
			Luxembourg	2,494
			Netherlands	
			Portugal	
			United Kingdom	
			Austria	
			Finland	
			Sweden	
			Available for Member States	
EC total			4,030	

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