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Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-44/80) for a regulation laying down for 1982 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Spain

Rapporteur: Mrs Nicole PÉRY

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By letter of 18 March 1982 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation (EEC) laying down for 1982 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Spain, and requested the application of urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 57 of the Rules of Procedure.

The President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible.

On 1 April 1982 the Committee on Agriculture appointed Mrs Péry rapporteur.

It considered this proposal at its meeting of 31 March and 1 April 1982.

At the same meeting the committee unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

The following took part in the vote: Mr Colleselli, acting chairman and vice-chairman; Mrs Péry, rapporteur; Mr Battersby, Mr Clinton, Mr Curry, Mrs Desouches (deputizing for Mr Eyraud), Mr Helms, Mrs Herklotz, Mr Hord, Mr Kirk, Mr Maffre-Baugé, Mr Marck, Mr Provan and Mr Woltjer.

The Committee on Agriculture hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation laying down for 1982 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Spain.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (82) 86 final),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-44/82),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 1-90/82),
- having regard to the agreement on fisheries concluded between the EEC and Spain on 15 April 1980¹,
- whereas the Community and Spain have reached agreement on reciprocal fishing rights for 1982,

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
2. Invites the Commission to propose measures to ensure that fishing vessels from third countries, in particular Spanish fishing vessels, do not circumvent the fishing agreements concluded by the Community with their countries by seeking registration in a Community Member State with coastal waters;
3. Urges the Commission to ensure that third countries respect the present arrangement in the regrettable absence of a common fisheries policy and of better coordination of the Member States' inspection operations in Community waters;

¹ OJ No. L322, 28.11.1980, p. 4

4. Invites the Commission also to report to it on the progress of negotiations on the accession of Spain to the Community with particular reference to the specific question of fisheries, and to comment specifically on
 - (a) the state of fish stocks in which there is common interest, particularly stocks of hake, in the North Atlantic, including the Bay of Biscay,
 - (b) the market outlook for each party in the event of the accession of Spain to the Community,
 - (c) the importance of fisheries for the Spanish economy,
 - (d) measures for the reorganization of the Spanish fishing fleet which could be considered by both parties at the present stage,
 - (e) the desirability of granting 'pre-accession' aid to Spain to enable it to reorganize its fishing fleet;
5. Considers that in the interests of both parties the Community must clarify its relations with Spain on the question of fisheries, regardless of whether Spain accedes to the Community.

FISHING QUOTAS

ANNEX I

(in tonnes)

Species	ICES sub-areas	Quantity	
		1982	1981
Hake	VI	995	1230
	VII	3400	4200
	VIII	4105	5070
Other species taken as by-catches of directed hake fishing	VI	1990	2460
	VII	6800	8400
	VIII	8210	10140
Anchovy	VIII	29000	29000
Tuna	VI, VII, VIII	not limited	not limited
Ray's bream	VII g, h, j, k	not limited	not limited

NUMBER OF LICENCES THAT MAY BE ISSUED

ANNEX II

Type of fishing	ICES sub-areas and division	1982		1981	
		Number of licences	Complete list of vessels	Number of licences	Complete list of vessels
(a) Vessels conducting hake fishing	VI	19 ¹	-	22 ¹	-
	VII	60 ¹	-	62 ¹	-
	VIII	51 ¹	-	58 ¹	-
(b) Sardiniers (seiners less than 100 grt)	VIII	40	71	40	71
(c) Long-liners less than 100 grt	VIIIa)	10	25	10	25
(d) Fishing exclusively with rods from vessels not exceeding 50 grt	VIII	50	-	50	-
(e) Vessels fishing for anchovy as target species	VIII	160	-	160	-
(f) Vessels fishing for anchovy to be used as live bait	VIII	120	-	120	-
(g) Tuna fishing	VI, VII, VIII	no limits	-	no limits	-
(h) Vessels fishing for Ray's bream	VII, g, h, j, k	no limits	-	no limits	-

¹ Figure fixed on the basis of a standard vessel with a brake horsepower of 700 bhp. (Conversion factors are used for vessels of another horsepower)

