

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amended proposal for a

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

amending Annex II to the directive 79/409/EEC
on the conservation of wild birds.

(presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 149(3)
of the EEC-Treaty)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. On March 7, 1991 the Commission presented to the Council a draft Directive amending Annex II to Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds.

On May 14, 1992 the European Parliament adopted with a large majority 28 amendments to the Commission's proposal.

2. 5 of these amendments are acceptable to the Commission as they include improvements of the initial proposal (amendments No 23 to 25, No 42 and No 45). One amendment is partly acceptable to the Commission (amendment No 5).
3. As for the remaining amendments adopted by Parliament, the Commission takes the view that it is not necessary to withdraw additional species from annex II of the Directive because the species in question can be sufficiently protected by adequate regional or national management plans, (amendments No 1 to 4 and No 6 to 22).
4. To that effect the Commission has decided, in accordance with the third paragraph of Article 149 of the Treaty, to amend the proposal of the initial draft Directive.

Initial proposal

Modified proposal

Recital 4 a (new)

Whereas the species Limosa limosa, Limosa lapponica and Numenius arquata should be removed from Annex II/2 in respect of Italy in order to protect the globally endangered species Numenius tenuirostris, with which, in their habits as much as their appearance, they have such similarities that there are exceptional risks of confusion.

Annex II/2 point 52

52. Limosa limosa ~~Deleted (for Italy only)~~

Annex II/2 point 53

53. Limosa lapponica ~~Deleted (for Italy only)~~

Annex II/2 point 55

55. Numenius arquata ~~Deleted (for Italy only)~~

Annex II/2 point 74

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Annex II/2 point 77

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COMPETITIVENESS AND EMPLOYMENT IMPACT STATEMENT

- NO IMPACTS -

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