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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) amending Council Regulation (EC) No 3070/95

on the establishment of a pilot project on satellite tracking
in the NAFO Regulatory Area

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Under Article 1 of Council Regulation (EC) No 3070/95, Member States are carrying out a pilot project on satellite tracking of vessels fishing in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) Regulatory Area from 1 January 1996 to 31 December 1997.

On 19 September 1997 the NAFO Fisheries Commission adopted a proposal to prolong the project to 31 December 1998.

The proposal was accepted by the Community.

The purpose of this proposal for a Regulation is to implement the NAFO Fisheries Commission proposal at Community level.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission¹,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament²,

Whereas, in accordance with Article 1 of Council Regulation (EC) No 3070/95 of 21 December 1995 on the establishment of a pilot project on satellite tracking in the NAFO Regulatory Area³, Member States are carrying out a pilot project on satellite tracking of vessels fishing in the Regulatory Area from 1 January 1996 to 31 December 1997;

Whereas on 19 September 1997 the NAFO Fisheries Commission adopted a proposal to prolong the pilot project on satellite tracking to 31 December 1998;

Whereas, in accordance with Article XI of the NAFO Convention and in the absence of objections, the proposal will become a measure binding upon the NAFO Contracting Parties as from 25 November 1997;

Whereas steps should be taken to implement the proposal at Community level,

Whereas as a matter of urgency and common concern this Regulation should apply from 1 January 1998,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 3070/95 is hereby amended as follows:

In Article 1(1), "31 December 1997" is replaced by "31 December 1998".

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OJ No L 329, 30.12.1995, p. 11.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 1998.

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

Done at

For the Council
The President



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