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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

amending Council Regulation (EC) No. 50/98 allocating, for 1998,

Community catch quotas in Greenland waters

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to Article 1 paragraph 2 of the Third Protocol ⁽¹⁾, the Community is entitled to "70% of the Greenland share of the capelin TAC minus 10,000 tonnes to the Faroe Islands". This provision has to be seen against the background that the capelin stock in the waters off Eastern Greenland is managed jointly by Greenland, Iceland and Norway. This year's tripartite consultations have led to an agreement, by way of which the relevant TAC was set at 1,420,000 tonnes for 1998. Under the Third Protocol, the ensuing Community catch quota in Greenland waters will be 109,340 tonnes.

Council Regulation (EC) No. $50/98^{(2)}$ established the corresponding Community catch quota at 97,405 tonnes on the basis of a TAC of 1,265,000.

The objective of this proposal is to implement the measures resulting from the variation of the underlying TAC.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No. L 351, 31.12.1994, p. 1

⁽²⁾ OJ No. L 12, 19.01.1998, p. 72

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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⁾, as amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden, and in particular Article 8(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No. 50/98⁽²⁾ established, for 1998, the Community catch quota for capelin in Greenland waters on the basis of the TAC for 1997/98;

Whereas a revision of the relevant TAC in the meantime has resulted in a change in the share available to the Community;

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No. 50/98 has to be amended accordingly;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION

Article 1

In the Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No. 50/98, the entry referring to capelin shall be amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

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, 1998.

For the Council The President

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⁽¹⁾ OJ No. L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No. L 12, 19.01.1998, p. 72

ANNEX

Allocation of Community catch quotas in Greenland waters for 1998

Species	Geographical area	Community catch quotas (in tonnes)	Quotas allo Member		Quantities allocated to Norway	Quantities allocated to Iceland	Faroese quotas under EC/ Greenland
Capelin	ICES XIV/V	109,340%	Community	53,340	16, 000	30 000	10 000

⁽⁶⁾ 70% of the Greenland share of the TAC for capelin minus 10 000 tonnes to the Faroe Islands. Upon any further revision of the relevant TAC in the course of 1998, the Community quota shall be revised accordingly.

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