

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)  
PROVIDING FOR A TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT TO  
REGULATION (EEC) No 1178/79 LAYING DOWN FOR 1979  
CERTAIN INTERIM MEASURES FOR THE CONSERVATION  
AND MANAGEMENT OF FISHERY RESOURCES APPLICABLE  
TO VESSELS REGISTERED IN THE FAROE ISLANDS

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(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The proposed Regulation is intended to increase at the request of the Faroese authorities the part of the Norway pout quota allocated to the Faroe Islands which can be taken within the area covered by ICES Subdivision VIa north of 56°30' N from 6.000 to 11.000 tons, the overall quota remaining unchanged at 22.500 tons.

This adjustment will in no way prejudice the conservation of marine resources in the Community fisheries zone.

The Commission believes that the Community should give a positive reply to the Faroese request, taking account of the provisions of the fisheries agreement signed by the Community and the Faroe Islands according to which the Community shall facilitate the full use of quotas allocated to Faroese vessels.

PROPOSAL FOR COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

providing for a technical adjustment to Regulation (EEC) No 1178/79  
laying down for 1979 certain interim measures for the conservation  
and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels registered  
in the Faroe Islands

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,  
and in particular Article 103 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas under Council Regulation (EEC) No 1178/79<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EEC)  
the Community has allocated a quota for Norway pout to vessels registered  
in the Faroe Islands, of which not more than 6 000 tonnes may be fished  
in ICES Division VIa north of 56°30' N;

Whereas the Faroese authorities have requested that this quantity  
should be increased;

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of the Fisheries Agreement signed  
between the Community and the Faroe Islands, the Community should enable the  
quotas allocated to Faroese vessels to be fully exploited;

Whereas increasing the proportion of the quota allocated to the Faroe Islands  
which may be fished in Division VIa is not likely to endanger the conservation  
of fishing resources in the Community fishing zone;

Whereas compliance with this Faroese request  
necessitates an amendment to Annex I to

✓ Regulation (EEC) No 1178/79;

Whereas these measures should be taken without delay, and whereas it is therefore necessary to adopt them on an interim basis pursuant to Article 103 of the Treaty, subject to their being included at a later date in the common agricultural policy,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1178/79 shall be replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

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 until 31 December 1979.

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

Done at Brussels,

1979

For the Council  
President

## ANNEX

## " ANNEX I "

## Fishing quotas

(tonnes)

Species	Area within which fishing is authorized	Quantity
Herring	Skagerrak <sup>(1)</sup>	700
Ling. tusk	ICES VIb	1 000
Mackerel	ICES IV	15 000 <sup>(2)</sup>
	ICES IV <sup>(2)</sup> , VIa <sup>(4)</sup>	30 000
Horse-mackerel	ICES IV, VIa <sup>(4)</sup>	6 000
Norway pout	ICES IV, VIa <sup>(4)</sup>	22 500 <sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(6)</sup>
Sandeel	ICES IV	15 000 <sup>(5)</sup>
Sprat	ICES IV, VIa <sup>(4)</sup>	15 000
Northern deep-water prawn (Pandalus borealis)	ICNAF 0 + 1 <sup>(7)</sup>	4 212
Blue whiting	ICES VIa <sup>(4)</sup> , VIb, VII <sup>(8)</sup>	25 000
Greenland halibut	ICNAF 0 + 1 <sup>(7)</sup>	100
	ICES XIV	200
Redfish	ICNAF 0 + 1 <sup>(7)</sup>	300
	ICES XIV	300
Other white fish (by-catches only)	ICES IV, VIa <sup>(4)</sup>	850

<sup>(1)</sup> Limited in the west by a line drawn from the lighthouse of Hanstholm to the lighthouse of Lindesnes and in the south by a line drawn from Skagen lighthouse to the lighthouse of Tutlarna and from there to the nearest coast of Sweden.

<sup>(2)</sup> Of which no more than 1 000 tonnes may be fished in the parts of ICES sub-area IV situated either south of 60° N or east of 2° E.

<sup>(3)</sup> North of 60° N and west of 2° E.

<sup>(4)</sup> North of 56° 30' N.

<sup>(5)</sup> This quota may be exceeded by a maximum of 2 500 tonnes provided that the total catches of Norway pout, sandeel and sprat do not exceed 52 500 tonnes.

<sup>(6)</sup> Of which no more than 11 000 tonnes in ICES Division VIa north of 56° 30'

<sup>(7)</sup> East of the median line and south of 68° N.

<sup>(8)</sup> West of 12° W.

<sup>(9)</sup> East of the median line.