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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

amending Council Regulation (EC) No. 3078/95 allocating, for 1996, certain catch quotas  
between Member States for vessels fishing in Faroese waters

(presented by the Commission)



## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The Community, under Council Regulation (EC) No. 3078/95, allocated to Member States catch possibilities for mackerel in Faroese waters.

Following a decision to reduce the mackerel TAC for biological reasons, the Community and the Faroe Islands have held consultations which resulted in an agreement to reduce the Parties' quotas for mackerel in the other Party's zone. As a result, the Parties agreed to reduce the Community catch quota for mackerel in Faroese waters from 4,910 tonnes to 3,270 tonnes.

It is, therefore, proposed to amend the above Council Regulation accordingly.

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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 <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 8 (4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No. 3078/95 <sup>(2)</sup> allocates, for 1995, certain catch quotas between Member States for vessels fishing in Faroese waters;

Whereas a catch quota of 4,910 tonnes of mackerel was allocated to the Community in ICES Division Vb for 1996. Whereas this quota has to be reduced in order to reflect the reduction in the mackerel TAC for that area;

Whereas, in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 2 of the Agreement on Fisheries between the European Community, of the one part, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Rule Government of the Faroe Islands, of the other part<sup>(3)</sup>, the Parties have had further consultations on their reciprocal fishing rights for 1996;

Whereas these consultations have been concluded and, as a result, the above mentioned catch quota allocated to the Community has been reduced;

Whereas, to ensure efficient management of the catch possibilities available, they should be allocated among Member States as quotas in accordance with Article 8 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 3760/92,

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 330, 30.12.1995, p. 62

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 226, 29.8.1980, p. 12.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

In Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No. 3078/95, the figures relating to mackerel in ICES Division Vb are hereby replaced by those set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force the day after its publication in the Official Journal.

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

Done at Brussels,

**For the Council  
The President**

**ANNEX**

**Allocation of Community catch quotas in Faroese waters for 1996, as referred to in Article 1**

(in metric tonnes, fresh round weight)

<b>Species</b>	<b>ICES Division</b>	<b>Community catch quotas</b>	<b>Quota allocated to Member States</b>
Mackerel	Vb	3,270	Denmark 3,270



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