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to the Council of the European Communities

Subject : Establishing a Common Fishing Policy for
the Member States

At its latest meeting the Council did not reach an agreement on the setting up of common guidelines for a Community fishing policy. Several non-member states have already expanded their fishing zones to 200 nautical miles, or intend to do so in the near future. Hence, the Council is requested to answer the following questions :

1. How far has the Council got as far as establishing an external fishing policy between the Member States and third countries is concerned?
2. Has the Council made any progress, and if so, what progress has it made as regards establishing an internal fishing policy which must form the basis of the actions taken by the Member States within the fishing sector?
3. What is the Council's attitude to the exploitation of the sea by aquaculture?
4. What are the Council's viewpoints as far as the exploitation of the sea bed is concerned?