

**COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES**

1693rd meeting of the Council

- Fisheries -

Luxembourg, 20 October 1993

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### 1.6.14. Fisheries (Luxembourg, 20 October).

**Previous meeting:** Bull. EC 6-1993, point 1.6.11

**President:** Mr Bourgeois, Belgian Minister for Agriculture.

**Commission:** Mr Paleokrassas.

#### *Main item*

State of the market in fishery products and terms governing direct landings by vessels from third countries: conclusions adopted (→ point 1.2.163).

#### *Other business*

- Arrangements for the accession of Spain and Portugal as regards the fisheries sector: Commission proposal for a Regulation presented and discussed.
- Community system of fishing licences: Commission proposal for a Regulation presented and discussed.
- Databases in the fisheries sector: Commission report examined.
- Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector: exchange of views.
- Irish memorandum on the fisheries sector: Commission report presented.

**1.2.163.** Council conclusions on the market situation for fishery products and the requirements applying to direct landings by third-country vessels.

*Adopted on 20 October.* The Council noted that exceptional conditions still affected the market, reaffirmed the need to reconcile the legitimate interests of the interdependent activities of production and processing, and stated its awareness that the entry into force of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Area could have important implications since certain EFTA countries were primary suppliers to the Community.

The Council requested the Commission to examine whether improvements were required in the effectiveness of existing mechanisms for fraud and health control and collection and return of market data and, given the fragile market situation, to monitor developments closely for each species and maintain to the end of the year, with any adjustments required, the control arrangements for direct landings and the temporary minimum import price rules.

