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Subject: COUNCIL REGULATION on the allocation of fishing opportunities under the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco and the Implementation Protocol thereto

COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 2018/...

of ...

**on the allocation of fishing opportunities
under the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement
between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco
and the Implementation Protocol thereto**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On behalf of the Union, the Commission negotiated a new Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco ('the Fisheries Agreement') as well as a new Implementation Protocol thereto and the exchange of letters accompanying the Fisheries Agreement.
- (2) In accordance with Council Decision (EU) 2018/...¹⁺, the Fisheries Agreement, the Implementation Protocol thereto and the exchange of letters accompanying the Fisheries Agreement were signed on ...⁺⁺, subject to their conclusion at a later date.

¹ Council Decision (EU) 2018/... of ... on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco, the Implementation Protocol thereto and the exchange of letters accompanying the Agreement (OJ L ..., ..., p.).

⁺ OJ: please complete the number, the date and the publication reference for the Decision contained in the document ST 14365/18.

⁺⁺ OJ: please insert the signature date of the Fisheries Agreement contained in the document ST 12983/18.

- (3) The Implementation Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement covers a period of four years as from the date of its application, as defined in Article 16 thereof.
- (4) The fishing opportunities should be allocated among the Member States for the full duration of application of the Implementation Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement.
- (5) This Regulation should apply from the date of application of the Implementation Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The fishing opportunities established pursuant to the Implementation Protocol to the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco ('the Fisheries Agreement') shall be allocated among the Member States as follows:

Fishing category	Type of vessel	Member State	Licences or quota
Small-scale fishing in the north, pelagic species	Seiners < 150 gross tonnage (GT)	Spain	22
Small-scale fishing in the north	Bottom longliners < 40 GT	Spain	25
	Bottom longliners ≥ 40 GT < 150 GT	Portugal Portugal	7 3
Small-scale fishing in the south	Pole-lines < 150 GT per vessel Total ≤ 800 GT	Spain	10
Demersal fishing	Bottom longliners ≤ 150 GT	Spain	7
		Portugal	4
	Trawlers ≤ 750 GT Total ≤ 3 000 GT	Spain Italy	5 0
Tuna fishing	Pole-and-line vessels	Spain	23
		France	4

Industrial fishing for pelagic species	85 000 tonnes (t) in the first year	Year 1: 85 000 t		
	90 000 t in the second year	Germany	6 871,2 t	
	100 000 t in the third year and in the fourth year	Lithuania	21 986,3 t	
		Latvia	12 367,5 t	
	Distribution of vessels authorised to fish:	Netherlands	26 102,4 t	
		Ireland	3 099,3 t	
		Poland	4 807,8 t	
		United Kingdom	4 807,8 t	
		Spain	496,2 t	
		Portugal	1 652,2 t	
		France	2 809,3 t	
		Year 2: 90 000 t		
		10 vessels \geq 3 000 GT and < 7 765 GT	Germany	7 275,4 t
			Lithuania	23 279,6 t
	Latvia		13 095,0 t	
	Netherlands		27 637,9 t	
	Ireland		3 281,6 t	
	Poland		5 090,6 t	
	United Kingdom		5 090,6 t	
	Spain		525,4 t	
	Portugal		1 749,4 t	
	4 vessels \geq 150 and < 3 000 GT	France	2 974,5 t	
	4 vessels < 150 GT			

	Years 3 and 4: 100 000 t each year	
	Germany	8 083,8 t
	Lithuania	25 866,3 t
	Latvia	14 550,0 t
	Netherlands	30 708,8 t
	Ireland	3 646,3 t
	Poland	5 656,3 t
	United Kingdom	5 656,3 t
	Spain	583,8 t
	Portugal	1 943,8 t
	France	3 305,0 t

2. Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹ shall apply without prejudice to the Fisheries Agreement, to the Implementation Protocol thereto and to the exchange of letters accompanying the Fisheries Agreement.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 (OJ L 347, 28.12.2017, p. 81).

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from the date of application of the Implementation Protocol to the Fisheries Agreement.

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

Done at ...,

For the Council

The President
