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COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 2024/2158

of 15 July 2024

on the allocation of fishing opportunities under Protocol (2024-2029) implementing the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cabo Verde

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) The Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cabo Verde⁽¹⁾ ('the Agreement'), approved by Council Regulation (EC) No 2027/2006⁽²⁾, entered into force on 30 March 2007. The Protocol thereto setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement expired on 19 May 2024.
- (2) On 19 December 2023 the Council adopted a Decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations with Cabo Verde for the conclusion of a new Protocol implementing the Agreement.
- (3) The Commission has negotiated, on behalf of the Union, a new Protocol implementing the Agreement. As a result of those negotiations, the Protocol was initialled on 15 April 2024.
- (4) In accordance with Council Decision (EU) 2024/2152⁽³⁾, Protocol (2024-2029) implementing the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cabo Verde ('the Protocol') was signed on 23 July 2024, subject to its conclusion at a later date.
- (5) The fishing opportunities provided for in the Protocol for highly migratory fish stocks, established in accordance with the recommendations and resolutions adopted by the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, should be allocated among the Member States for the entire period of its application.
- (6) These measures are urgent given the economic importance of Union fishing activities in Cabo Verde's fishing zone and the need to keep to a minimum any interruption of those activities. The Protocol will therefore apply on a provisional basis as from the date it is signed in order to allow Union vessels to carry out their fishing activities as soon as possible. This Regulation should therefore apply from the same date,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The fishing opportunities established under Protocol (2024-2029) implementing the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and Republic of Cabo Verde shall be allocated among the Member States as follows, throughout the period of application of the Protocol:

(a) tuna seiners:

Spain:	14 vessels
France:	10 vessels
Total	24 vessels;

⁽¹⁾ Fisheries partnership agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cape Verde (OJ L 414, 30.12.2006, p. 3).
⁽²⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 2027/2006 of 19 December 2006 on the conclusion of the Fisheries partnership agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cape Verde (OJ L 414, 30.12.2006, p. 1).
⁽³⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2024/2152 of 15 July 2024 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Implementing Protocol (2024-2029) to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cabo Verde (OJ L, 2024/2152, 21.8.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2024/2152/oj>).

(b) pole-and-line tuna vessels:

Spain:	6 vessels
France:	3 vessels
Portugal:	1 vessels
Total	10 vessels;

(c) surface longliners:

Spain:	17 vessels
Portugal:	5 vessels
Total	22 vessels;

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 23 July 2024.

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

Done at Brussels, 15 July 2024.

For the Council

The President

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