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COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2025/53

of 7 January 2025

**reopening the fishery for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 by vessels flying the flag of Spain, by
repealing Regulation (EU) 2024/1819**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 36(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) 2024/257 ⁽²⁾ lays down quotas for 2024.
- (2) On 10 June 2024, Spain notified the Commission, pursuant to Article 35(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, of its decision to prohibit fishing for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 as from 4 March 2024.
- (3) Commission Regulation (EU) 2024/1819 ⁽³⁾ prohibited fishing for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 for vessels flying the flag of Spain.
- (4) According to the information received by the Commission on 14 November 2024 from the Spanish authorities, a quantity is still available to Spain for the quota for that stock. Consequently, the fishery for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 by vessels flying the flag of or registered in Spain should be reopened until further notice.
- (5) That reopening of fishery should take effect on 15 November 2024, in order to allow the quantity of undulate ray in question to be fished before the end of the current year.
- (6) Regulation (EU) 2024/1819 should therefore be repealed with effect from 15 November 2024.
- (7) Such retroactive application does not affect the principle of legal certainty and protection of legitimate expectations as a quota is still available for that stock,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The fishery for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 for the 2024 fishing season by vessels flying the flag of or registered in Spain referred to in the Annex is reopened.

Regulation (EU) 2024/1819 is repealed.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Council Regulation (EU) 2024/257 of 10 January 2024 fixing for 2024, 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2023/194 (OJ L, 2024/257, 11.1.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/257/oj>).

⁽³⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) 2024/1819 of 24 June 2024 establishing a fisheries closure for undulate ray in Union waters of 9 for vessels flying the flag of Spain (OJ L, 2024/1819, 27.6.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1819/oj>).

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 15 November 2024.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 January 2025.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Costas KADIS
Member of the Commission*

ANNEX

No	03/TQ257 – Reopening
Member State	Spain
Stock	RJU/9-C.
Species	Undulate ray (<i>Raja undulata</i>)
Zone	Union waters of 9
Closing date	4 March 2024
Reopening date	15 November 2024