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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

amending Decision 83/653/EEC
on the allocation of the possibilities for catching herring
in the North Sea as from 1 January 1984

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

By Decision No 83/653/EEC of 20 December 1983, the Council set out the method for allocation of the possibilities for catching herring in the North Sea. The allocation is mostly based on the application of certain percentages to the share of the TAC available to the Community.

The Act of Accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland stipulates that the quota of herring available to Sweden is calculated as 1.433% of the enlarged Community.

In order to improve clarity, it seems therefore convenient to amend Council Decision No 83/653/EEC by introducing the percentages that should apply to the share of the TAC available to the enlarged Community. Wherever possible, the new calculation method should cover all possible values of Community share in a precise and transparent manner.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92 of 20 December 1992 establishing a Community system for fisheries and aquaculture[1], and in particular point (ii) of Article 8(4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission[2],

Whereas Decision No 83/653/EEC[3] sets out the method for the allocation of the possibilities for catching herring in the North Sea with a reference to the share of the TAC (Total Allowable Catch) available to the Communiy as constituted before the accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland;

Whereas the Act of Accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland defines the share of North Sea herring allocated to Sweden as a percentage of the share of the TAC for this stock available to the enlarged Community;

Whereas it is appropriate to amend Decision No 83/653/EEC in order to refer specifically to the enlarged Community and to include Sweden in the allocation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision No 83/653/EEC shall be replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

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1 OJ No L 389, 31.12.1992, p. 1, Regulation as amended by the Act of Accession of Austria, Sweden and Finland.

2 OJ No ...

3 OJ No L 371, 31.12.1983, p. 39.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

ANNEX

Method of calculation of the quotas allocated to Member States
CS denotes Community share

Member State	**For a CS less than 157253 tonnes**	**For a CS between 157253 and 254648 tonnes**	**For a CS equal to or grater than 254649 tonnes**
Belgium	0.045150 * **CS**	0.013862 * **CS** + 4920	0.009857 * (**CS** - 254649) + 8540
Denmark	0.198921 * **CS**	0.232238 * **CS** - 5239	0.344985 * (**CS** - 254649) + 53900
Germany	0.125091 * **CS**	0.175356 * **CS** - 7904	0.172492 * (**CS** - 254649) + 36750
France	0.129791 * **CS**	0.092304 * **CS** + 5895	0.083782 * (**CS** - 254649) + 29400
The Netherlands	0.259582 * **CS**	0.260073 * **CS** - 77	0.202062 * (**CS** - 254649) + 66150
Sweden	0.014328 * **CS**	0.014330 * **CS**	0.014330 * (**CS** - 254649) + 3650
United kingdom	0.227137 * **CS**	0.211837 * **CS** + 2406	0.172492 * (**CS** - 254649) + 56350

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