COMMISSION DECISION

of 23 November 2010

on an additional Union financial contribution for 2010 towards expenditure incurred by Member States for certain projects in the field of fisheries control, inspection and surveillance

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(2010/711/EU)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 861/2006 of 22 May 2006 establishing Community financial measures for the implementation of the common fisheries policy and in the area of the Law of the Sea (1), and in particular Article 21 thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) Based upon the requests for Union co-finance that have been submitted by Member States in their fisheries control programmes for 2010, the Commission has adopted Decision 2010/352/EU (²), which has left some of the 2010 budget available for fisheries control unused.
- (2) That unused part of the 2010 budget should now be allocated by a new Decision.
- (3) In conformity with Article 21(2) of Regulation (EC) No 861/2006, Member States have been asked to submit programmes related to additional funding in the priority areas defined by the Commission, i.e. automation and management of data, new technologies, and seminars in the area of illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing.
- (4) On that basis requests in the programmes for Union funding related to actions such as pilot projects, training and exchange programmes as well as the construction of patrol vessels and aircrafts, have been rejected since they were not dedicated to the priority areas defined above.
- (5) Within the priority areas indicated by the Commission, not all the eligible expenditure in the programmes could be retained, due to budgetary restraints. The Commission selected the projects to be co-financed on the grounds that they were in conformity with the priorities defined by the Commission. Concerning electronic recording and

reporting devices, a priority was given to devices combining ERS and VMS functions

- (6) Applications concerning actions listed in Article 8(a) of Regulation (EC) No 861/2006 may qualify for Union funding.
- (7) Applications for Union funding are to comply with the rules set out in Commission Regulation (EC) No 391/2007 (3).
- (8) It is appropriate to fix the maximum amounts and the rate of the Union financial contribution within the limits set by Article 15 of Regulation (EC) No 861/2006 and to lay down the conditions under which such contribution may be granted.
- (9) In order to encourage investment in the priority actions defined by the Commission and in view of the negative impact of the financial crisis on Member States' budgets, expenditure related to the abovementioned priority areas should benefit from a high co-financing rate, within the limits laid down in Article 15 of Regulation (EC) No 861/2006.
- (10) In order to qualify for the contribution, automatic localisation devices should satisfy the requirements fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003 of 18 December 2003 laying down detailed provisions regarding satellite-based Vessel Monitoring Systems (4).
- (11) In order to qualify for the contribution, electronic recording and reporting devices on board fishing vessels should satisfy the requirements laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1077/2008 of 3 November 2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1966/2006 on electronic recording and reporting of fishing activities and on means of remote sensing and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1566/2007 (5).
- (12) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for Fisheries and Aquaculture,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 160, 14.6.2006, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 160, 26.6.2010, p. 11.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 97, 12.4.2007, p. 30.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 333, 20.12.2003, p. 17.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 295, 4.11.2008, p. 3.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Subject matter

This Decision provides for a Union financial contribution for 2010 towards expenditure incurred by Member States for 2010 in implementing certain projects on monitoring and control systems applicable to the common fisheries policy (CFP), as referred to in Article 8(a) of Regulation (EC) No 861/2006. It establishes the amount of the Union financial contribution for each Member State, the rate of the Union financial contribution and the conditions on which such contribution may be granted.

Article 2

Closure of outstanding commitments

All payments in respect of which a reimbursement is claimed shall be made by the Member State concerned by 30 June 2014. Payments made by a Member State after that deadline shall not be eligible for reimbursement. Unused budgetary appropriations related to this Decision shall be de-committed at the latest by 31 December 2015.

Article 3

New technologies and IT networks

Expenditure incurred, in respect of projects referred to in Annex I, on the setting up of new technologies and IT networks, in order to allow efficient and secure collection and management of data in connection with monitoring, control and surveillance of fisheries activities, shall qualify for a financial contribution of 90 % of the eligible expenditure, within the limits laid down in that Annex.

Article 4

Automatic localisation devices

- 1. Expenditure incurred, in respect of projects referred to in Annex II, on the purchase and fitting on board of fishing vessels of automatic localisation devices enabling vessels to be monitored at a distance by a fisheries monitoring centre through a vessel monitoring system (VMS) shall qualify for a financial contribution of 90 % of the eligible expenditure, within the limits established in that Annex.
- 2. The financial contribution referred to in paragraph 1 shall be limited to EUR 2 500 per vessel.
- 3. In order to qualify for the financial contribution referred to in paragraph 1, automatic localisation devices shall satisfy the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 2244/2003.

Article 5

Electronic recording and reporting systems

Expenditure incurred, in respect of projects referred to in Annex III, on the development, purchase, and installation of, as well as technical assistance for, the components necessary for electronic recording and reporting systems (ERS), in order to allow efficient and secure data exchange related to monitoring, control and surveillance of fisheries activities, shall qualify for a financial contribution of 90 % of the eligible expenditure, within the limits laid down in that Annex.

Article 6

Electronic recording and reporting devices

- 1. Expenditure incurred, in respect of projects referred to in Annex IV, on the purchase and fitting on board of fishing vessels of ERS devices enabling vessels to record and report electronically to a Fisheries Monitoring Centre data on fisheries activities, shall qualify for a financial contribution of 90 % of the eligible expenditure, within the limits established in that Annex
- 2. The financial contribution referred to in paragraph 1 shall be limited to EUR 3 000 per vessel, without prejudice to paragraph 4.
- 3. In order to qualify for a financial contribution, ERS devices shall satisfy the requirements established under Regulation (EC) No 1077/2008.
- 4. In case of devices combining ERS and VMS functions, and fulfilling the requirements laid down in Regulations (EC) No 2244/2003 and (EC) No 1077/2008, the financial contribution referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be limited to EUR $4\,500$.

Article 7

Initiatives raising awareness of CFP rules

Expenditure incurred, in respect of projects referred to in Annex V, on initiatives including seminar and media tools aimed at enhancing awareness among fishermen and other players such as inspectors, public prosecutors and judges, as well as among the general public, on the need to fight illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing and to implement the new control Regulation, shall qualify for a financial contribution of 90 % of the eligible expenditure, within the limits laid down in that Annex

Article 8

Total maximum Union contribution per Member State

The total planned expenditure, the total expenditure for projects selected under this Decision, and the total maximum Union contribution per Member State allocated under this Decision are as follows:

Member State	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Belgium	235 000	222 500	195 000
Denmark	2 284 608	907 124	816 412
Germany	1 367 695	1 151 035	1 035 932
Estonia	161 803	89 835	80 852
Ireland	2 145 000	580 000	330 000
Greece	9 150 000	1 800 000	1 620 000
Spain	400 000	0	0
France	7 429 203	2 424 000	2 181 600
Italy	10 890 000	4 040 000	3 636 000
Cyprus	100 000	70 000	63 000
Latvia	11 459	0	0
Malta	358 029	8 460	7 614
Netherlands	2 085 000	157 500	141 750
Poland	1 091 633	922 493	830 243
Portugal	3 105 763	2 408 000	1 354 500
Romania	30 500	0	0
Sweden	1 674 595	103 541	93 187
United Kingdom	1 610 375	1 178 824	1 060 940
Total	44 130 664	16 063 311	13 447 030

Article 9

Addressees

This Decision is addressed to the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Republic of Estonia, Ireland, the Hellenic Republic, the Kingdom of Spain, the French Republic, the Italian Republic, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Kingdom of Sweden, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Done at Brussels, 23 November 2010.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND IT NETWORKS

			(in EUR)
Member State and project code	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Belgium			
BE/10/04	200 000	200 000	180 000
Sub-Total	200 000	200 000	180 000
Denmark			
DK/10/15	67 194	67 194	60 475
DK/10/16	33 597	0	0
DK/10/17	1 343 887	0	0
Sub-Total	1 444 679	67 194	60 475
Germany			
DE/10/22	24 000	0	0
DE/10/23	14 000	0	0
Sub-Total	38 000	0	0
Estonia			
EE/10/07	10 898	0	0
Sub-Total	10 898	0	0
Ireland			
IE/10/13	75 000	0	0
IE/10/14	300 000	0	0
IE/10/15	70 000	0	0
IE/10/16	100 000	0	0
IE/10/22	340 000	0	0
Sub-Total	885 000	0	0
Greece			
EL/10/13	2 000 000	0	0
EL/10/14	800 000	0	0
Sub-Total	2 800 000	0	0
Spain			
ES/10/08	400 000	0	0
Sub-Total	400 000	0	0
France			
FR/10/12	3 340 000	0	0
Sub-Total	3 340 000	0	0
Italy			
IT/10/12	340 000	340 000	306 000
IT/10/13	1 100 000	0	0
IT/10/14	1 850 000	0	0
Sub-Total	3 290 000	340 000	306 000

Maximum Union contribution	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Member State and project code
			Cyprus
0	0	30 000	CY/10/04
0	0	30 000	Sub-Total
			Latvia
0	0	11 459	LV/10/01
0	0	11 459	Sub-Total
			Malta
0	0	314 825	MT/10/01
0	0	314 825	Sub-Total
			Netherlands
0	0	340 000	NL/10/18
0	0	340 000	Sub-Total
			Poland
0	0	7 346	PL/10/05
0	0	4 897	PL/10/06
0	0	12 244	Sub-Total
			Portugal
0	0	148 050	PT/10/01
0	0	148 050	Sub-Total
			Romania
0	0	14 000	RO/10/08
0	0	6 000	RO/10/09
0	0	7 500	RO/10/10
0	0	27 500	Sub-Total
			Sweden
93 187	103 541	103 541	SE/10/11
0	0	350 000	SE/10/12
0	0	500 000	SE/10/13
93 187	103 541	953 541	Sub-Total
			United Kingdom
0	0	3 662	UK/10/63
0	0	5 772	UK/10/65
0	0	11 765	UK/10/66
0	0	8 235	UK/10/70
0	0	4 706	UK/10/73
0	0	706	UK/10/74
0	0	5 529	UK/10/75
0	0	40 375	Sub-Total
639 662	710 735	14 286 571	Total

ANNEX II

AUTOMATIC LOCALISATION DEVICES

	Expenditure planned in the		(in EUR)
Member State and project code	additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Belgium			
BE/10/05	12 500	0	0
Sub-Total	12 500	0	0
Germany			
DE/10/20	12 000	0	0
DE/10/33	66 660	0	0
Sub-Total	78 660	0	0
Estonia			
EE/10/05	40 905	0	0
Sub-Total	40 905	0	0
Ireland			
IE/10/20	160 000	0	0
Sub-Total	160 000	0	0
Greece			
EL/10/15	3 360 000	0	0
EL/10/16	950 000	0	0
EL/10/17	240 000	0	0
Sub-Total	4 550 000	0	0
France			
FR/10/10	1 520 000	0	0
Sub-Total	1 520 000	0	0
Italy			
IT/10/15	3 300 000	0	0
IT/10/16	600 000	0	0
Sub-Total	3 900 000	0	0
Cyprus			
CY/10/05	70 000	70 000	63 000
Sub-Total	70 000	70 000	63 000
Malta			
MT/10/02	22 000	0	0
MT/10/03	12 744	0	0
Sub-Total	34 744	0	0
Netherlands			
NL/10/16	87 500	0	0
Sub-Total	87 500	0	0

Member State and project code	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Romania			
RO/10/05	3 000	0	0
Sub-Total	3 000	0	0
Sweden			
SE/10/14	401 222	0	0
SE/10/15	112 750	0	0
Sub-Total	513 972	0	0
United Kingdom			
UK/10/100	20 588	0	0
UK/10/103	250 000	0	0
UK/10/105	120 588	0	0
Sub-Total	391 176	0	0
Total	11 362 457	70 000	63 000

ANNEX III

ELECTRONIC RECORDING AND REPORTING SYSTEMS

(in EUR)			
Maximum Union contribution	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Member State and project code
			Germany
0	0	50 000	DE/10/26
0	0	50 000	DE/10/29
0	0	100 000	Sub-Total
			Ireland
90 000	100 000	100 000	IE/10/18
0	0	520 000	IE/10/21
90 000	100 000	620 000	Sub-Total
			France
0	0	145 203	FR/10/11
0	0	145 203	Sub-Total
			Netherlands
0	0	1 500 000	NL/10/15
0	0	1 500 000	Sub-Total
			Poland
55 096	61 217	61 217	PL/10/07
0	0	14 693	PL/10/08
44 076	48 974	48 974	PL/10/09
99 172	110 191	124 884	Sub-Total
			Sweden
0	0	207 082	SE/10/16
0	0	207 082	Sub-Total
189 172	210 191	2 697 169	Total

ANNEX IV

ELECTRONIC RECORDING AND REPORTING DEVICES

			(in EUR)
Member State and project code	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Belgium			
BE/10/06	22 500	22 500	15 000
Sub-Total	22 500	22 500	15 000
Denmark			
DK/10/20	839 930	839 930	755 937
Sub-Total	839 930	839 930	755 937
Germany			
DE/10/28	349 965	349 965	314 969
DE/10/30	612 070	612 070	550 863
DE/10/31	84 000	84 000	75 600
DE/10/32	105 000	105 000	94 500
Sub-Total	1 151 035	1 151 035	1 035 932
Estonia			
EE/10/06	110 000	89 835	80 852
Sub-Total	110 000	89 835	80 852
Ireland			
IE/10/19	480 000	480 000	240 000
Sub-Total	480 000	480 000	240 000
Greece			
EL/10/18	1 800 000	1 800 000	1 620 000
Sub-Total	1 800 000	1 800 000	1 620 000
France			
FR/10/09	2 424 000	2 424 000	2 181 600
Sub-Total	2 424 000	2 424 000	2 181 600
Italy			
IT/10/17	3 700 000	3 700 000	3 330 000
Sub-Total	3 700 000	3 700 000	3 330 000
Netherlands			
NL/10/17	157 500	157 500	141 750
Sub-Total	157 500	157 500	141 750
Poland			
PL/10/10	305 598	305 598	275 038
PL/10/11	59 503	59 503	53 553
PL/10/12	447 200	447 200	402 480
PL/10/13	21 500	0	0
PL/10/14	35 000	0	0
PL/10/15	85 705	0	0
Sub-Total	954 506	812 301	731 071

Member State and project code	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Portugal			
PT/10/02	2 408 000	2 408 000	1 354 500
Sub-Total	2 408 000	2 408 000	1 354 500
United Kingdom			
UK/10/76	70 588	70 588	63 529
UK/10/99	16 471	16 471	14 824
UK/10/101	200 000	200 000	180 000
UK/10/102	795 294	795 294	715 765
UK/10/104	96 471	96 471	86 824
Sub-Total	1 178 824	1 178 824	1 060 941
Total	15 226 294	15 063 924	12 547 582

ANNEX V

INITIATIVES RAISING AWARENESS OF CFP RULES

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Member State and project code	Expenditure planned in the additional national fisheries control programme for 2010	Expenditure for projects selected under this Decision	Maximum Union contribution
Malta			
MT/10/06	8 460	8 460	7 614
Sub-Total	8 460	8 460	7 614
Portugal			
PT/10/04	549 713	0	0
Sub-Total	549 713	0	0
Total	558 173	8 460	7 614