

## COUNCIL DECISION

of 22 December 1995

concerning the conclusion of the Agreement constituted in the form of an agreed minute, an exchange of letters, an exchange of notes and the Annexes thereto between the European Community and Canada on fisheries in the context of the NAFO Convention

(95/586/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 43 in conjunction with Article 228 (3), first subparagraph thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament <sup>(2)</sup>,

Whereas the European Community and Canada are committed to enhanced cooperation in the conservation and rational management of fish stocks, in particular in the framework of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO);

Whereas, with a view to increasing cooperation in that field, the European Community and Canada have agreed to collaborate further on management arrangements for species covered by the NAFO Convention, and in particular for Greenland halibut;

Whereas their Agreement is reflected in the Agreement constituted in the form of an agreed minute, an exchange of letters, an exchange of notes and the Annexes thereto between the European Community and Canada on fisheries in the context of the NAFO Convention, which was signed on 20 April 1995;

Whereas it is in the Community's interest to approve the said Agreement,

*Article 1*

The Agreement constituted in the form of an agreed minute, an exchange of letters, an exchange of notes and the Annexes thereto between the European Community and Canada on fisheries in the context of the NAFO Convention is approved.

The text of the acts referred to in the first paragraph are attached to this Decision.

*Article 2*

The Council agrees hereby to conclude the Agreement on behalf of the Community <sup>(3)</sup>.

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1995.

*For the Council*  
*The President*

L. ATIENZA SERNA

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 239, 14. 9. 1995, p. 8.

<sup>(2)</sup> Opinion delivered on 15 December 1995 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

<sup>(3)</sup> The date of entry into force of the Agreement will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities* by the General Secretariat of the Council.