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CHAPTER I

SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

Article 1

Subject matter

This Regulation fixes the fishing opportunities for 2014 for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks in the Black Sea.

Article 2

Scope

This Regulation shall apply to EU vessels operating in the Black Sea.

Article 3

Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'GFCM' means General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean;
- (b) 'Black Sea' means the geographical subarea 29 as defined in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 1343/2011 of the European Parliament and the Council⁽¹⁾ and in Resolution GFCM/33/2009/2;
- (c) 'EU vessel' means a fishing vessel flying the flag of a Member State and registered in the Union;
- (d) 'total allowable catch (TAC)' means the quantity that can be taken from each stock each year;
- (e) 'quota' means a proportion of the TAC allocated to the Union, a Member State or a third country.

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CHAPTER II

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

Article 4

TACs and allocation

The TACs for EU vessels, the allocation of such TACs among Member States, and the conditions functionally linked thereto, where appropriate, are set out in the Annex.

Article 5

Special provisions on allocations

The allocation of fishing opportunities among Member States as set out in in this Regulation shall be without prejudice to:

- (a) exchanges made pursuant to Article 16(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013;
- (b) deductions and reallocations made pursuant to Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009;
- (c) additional landings allowed under Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- (d) quantities withheld in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96;
- (e) deductions made pursuant to Articles 105 and 107 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

Article 6

Conditions for landing catches and by-catches

Fish from stocks for which fishing opportunities are fixed by this Regulation shall be retained on board or landed only if:

- (a) the catches have been taken by vessels of a Member State having a quota and that quota is not exhausted; or
- (b) the catches consist of a share in a Union quota which has not been allocated by quota among Member States, and that Union quota has not been exhausted.

CHAPTER III

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CHAPTER III

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 7

Data transmission

When, pursuant to Articles 33 and 34 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, Member States send the Commission data relating to landings of quantities of stocks caught, they shall use the stock codes set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 8

Entry into force

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 1 January 2014.

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

Done at Brussels, 10 January 2014.

For the Council

The President

D. KOURKOULAS

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(1) Regulation (EU) No 1343/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on certain provisions for fishing in the GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) Agreement area and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1967/2006 concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea (OJ L 347, 30.12.2011, p. 44).

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