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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. CONTEXT OF THE PROPOSAL

• Reasons for and objectives of the proposal

Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202[1] fixes for 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in EU waters and, for EU fishing vessels, in certain non-EU waters. The proposal amends those fishing opportunities to take account of the latest scientific advice and other developments.

• Consistency with existing policy provisions in the policy area

The measures proposed are consistent with the objectives and rules set out in Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013[2] of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) ('Basic Regulation'), which are *inter alia* to be applied when establishing fishing opportunities, i.e. catch and fishing effort limits, with the aim of ensuring that EU fisheries are ecologically, economically, and socially sustainable.

• Consistency with other Union policies

The proposed measures are consistent with other EU policies, in particular Directive 2008/56/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council[3] ('Marine Strategy Framework Directive'), and aim to contribute to achieving good environmental status, in particular as regards descriptor 3 regarding good environmental status, which requires all commercially exploited fish and shellfish to be within safe biological limits.

2. LEGAL BASIS, SUBSIDIARITY AND PROPORTIONALITY

• Legal basis

The legal basis of the proposal is Article 43(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

• Subsidiarity

The proposal falls under the exclusive EU competence as referred to in Article 3(1)(d) TFEU. Therefore, the subsidiarity principle does not apply.

• Proportionality

The proposal allocates fishing opportunities to Member States in accordance with the objectives and rules set out in the Basic Regulation as well as the outcome of multilateral or bilateral consultations with non-EU countries, including in the context of regional fisheries management organisations (RFMOs). Consequently, the fishing opportunities should be fixed

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[1] Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202 of 30 January 2025 fixing for 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) 2024/257 as regards fishing opportunities for 2025 (OJ L, 2025/202, 31.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/202/oj).

[2] Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1380/oj).

[3] Directive 2008/56/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 June 2008 establishing a framework for community action in the field of marine environmental policy (Marine Strategy Framework Directive) (OJ L 164, 25.6.2008, p. 19, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2008/56/oj).

taking into account the best available scientific advice. In addition to biological considerations, fishing opportunities should take into account socio-economic considerations, in particular the difficulty of fishing all stocks in a mixed fishery at maximum sustainable yield (MSY) at the same time.

Pursuant to Article 16(6) and (7) and Article 17 of the Basic Regulation, Member States are to decide how the fishing opportunities available to them may be allocated to vessels flying their flag in accordance with certain criteria set out in those Articles. Therefore, Member States have the necessary margin of discretion when distributing the allocated quotas, in line with their preferred social/economic model for using the fishing opportunities available to them.

- **Choice of the instrument**

Given that the proposal amends an existing regulation, the most appropriate legal instrument is a regulation.

3. RESULTS OF *EX POST* EVALUATIONS, STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS AND IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

- **Ex-post evaluations/fitness checks of existing legislation**

Not applicable.

- **Stakeholder consultations**

The Commission has consulted stakeholders, in particular through the advisory councils, on the basis of its annual communication entitled '*Sustainable fishing in the EU: state of play and orientations for 2025'* (COM(2024) 235 final).

Stakeholders' responses to that annual communication set out their views on the Commission's evaluation of the state of the resources and on the appropriate management response. The Commission considered those responses when formulating the proposal.

- **Collection and use of expertise**

International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES) scientific advice is based on a framework developed by its expert groups and decision-making bodies and issued in line with its framework partnership agreement with the Commission.

- **Impact assessment**

The scope of the proposal is circumscribed by Article 43(3) of the TFEU.

This proposal seeks to avoid short-term approaches in favour of long-term sustainability. It takes account of initiatives by stakeholders and advisory councils if they have been positively reviewed by ICES. The Commission's CFP reform proposal was based on an impact assessment (SEC(2011) 891) that considered that while achieving the MSY objective was a necessary condition for environmental, economic and social sustainability, those three objectives cannot be achieved in isolation.

As regards fishing opportunities for RFMOs stocks and for stocks jointly managed with non-EU countries, this proposal essentially implements internationally agreed measures. Any aspects that are relevant to assessing possible impacts of the fishing opportunities are dealt with in the preparation and conduct of international negotiations in which the EU's fishing opportunities are agreed with non-EU countries.

- **Regulatory fitness and simplification**

Not applicable.

- **Fundamental rights**

The proposal complies with fundamental rights and in particular those recognised by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.

4. BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

The proposed measures will have no budgetary implications.

5. OTHER ELEMENTS

- **Detailed explanation of the specific provisions of the proposal**

The proposal seeks to amend Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202 as described below.

Sandeel in the North Sea

Regulation (EU) 2025/202 provisionally marked as 'to be established' the total allowable catches (TAC) for sandeel and associated by-catches (*Ammodytes* spp.) in United Kingdom (UK) and EU waters of ICES subarea 4 (North Sea), UK waters of ICES division 2a and EU waters of division 3a (Skagerrak and Kattegat) for 2025, pending publication of the scientific advice for that stock for 2025 by ICES.

ICES is expected to publish its scientific advice for sandeel in ICES subarea 4 and division 3a for 2025 on 28 February 2025. Following the publication of that advice, the EU will hold bilateral consultations with the UK on the level of the TAC for 2025 for that stock pursuant to Articles 498(2), (4) and (6) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part[4] ('Trade and Cooperation Agreement'). Pending the outcome of those bilateral consultations, the text of the relevant recital of Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1015[5] is included in square brackets and the TAC for sandeel in ICES subarea 4 and divisions 2a and 3a for 2024 is marked 'pm' (pro memoria). As soon as the outcome of those bilateral consultations is known, the Commission services will update the proposal by means of a non-paper proposing the relevant TAC for 2025 at the level agreed with the UK.

ICCAT

Fishing effort limits for EU vessels fishing for bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) in part of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) Convention area, in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and the Mediterranean, and maximum input and capacity for EU farms of bluefin tuna in that area are based on information provided in the annual plans referred to in Articles 11, 13 and 15 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European

[4] Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part (OJ L 149, 30.4.2021, p. 10, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2021/689(1)/oj).

[5] Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1015 of 26 March 2024 amending Regulation (EU) 2024/257 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 (OJ L, 2024/1015, 27.3.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1015/oj).

Parliament and of the Council[6]. Member States are to transmit those plans to the Commission by 31 January each year, pursuant to Article 16(1) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053. Those plans are then compiled by the Commission and form the basis for the establishment of an EU annual plan, which is transmitted to the ICCAT Secretariat for discussion and approval by ICCAT, as required by Article 16(2) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053. Pending the submission and approval by ICCAT of the EU annual plan, the text of the relevant recital of Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1015 is included in square brackets and the EU fishing effort limits and the EU maximum farming input and capacity for 2025 are marked 'pm'. As soon as the EU annual plan is approved by ICCAT, the Commission services will update the proposal by means of a non-paper proposing the relevant fishing effort limits and maximum farming input and capacity for 2025.

In addition, pursuant to Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053, Member States may request to transfer a maximum 5% of their annual quota of bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and the Mediterranean, from the preceding year to a given year. Where Member States make such a request, they are required to submit to the Commission a revised annual fishing plan and a revised annual fishing capacity management plan. Based on such revised annual fishing plans and revised annual fishing capacity management plans, the Commission will submit a revised EU annual plan to the ICCAT Secretariat for discussion and approval by ICCAT, pursuant to Article 11(5) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053. Pending the possible inclusion by the Commission and the approval by ICCAT of such revisions in the EU annual plan, the text of the relevant recital of Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1856[7] is included in square brackets and the TAC for bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and the Mediterranean for 2025 is marked 'pm'. As soon as the EU annual plan is approved by ICCAT, the Commission services will update the proposal by means of a non-paper proposing to amend the quotas of the relevant Member States for that stock for 2025 accordingly.

Moreover, pursuant to Articles 8a, 17b and 18b of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 of the European Parliament and of the Council[8] a Member State's annual quota for: (i) bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in the Atlantic Ocean; (ii) albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) in the Atlantic Ocean, respectively north of 5°N and south of 5°N; and (iii) swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in the Atlantic Ocean, respectively north of 5°N and south of 5°N, may be transferred from the penultimate year to a given year in accordance with the relevant ICCAT recommendations. Therefore, it is proposed to amend the quotas of the relevant Member States for those stocks for 2025 accordingly.

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6 Regulation (EU) Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, amending Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EU) 2017/2107, and (EU) 2019/833 and repealing Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 (OJ L 238, 27.9.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2053/oj).

7 Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1856 of 28 June 2024 amending Regulation (EU) 2024/257 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 Regulation (EU) 2023/194 fixing for 2023 such fishing opportunities (OJ L, 2024/1856, 1.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1856/oj).

8 Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2017 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Convention area of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007 (OJ L 315, 30.11.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/2107/oj).

When incidentally by-caught, Article 33(1) of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 requires EU vessels to not harm and promptly release into the sea, to the extent practicable, shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N ('North Atlantic shortfin mako'), while giving due consideration to the safety of crew members. At its 2021 annual meeting, ICCAT adopted a prohibition to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of North Atlantic shortfin mako. It is therefore proposed to implement that prohibition in EU law. That prohibition should only apply until an amendment to Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 implementing that prohibition becomes applicable.

SPRFMO

In Regulation (EU) 2025/202, the TACs in the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) Convention area are provisionally set at zero and measures functionally linked to the TACs are temporarily maintained, pending the outcome of the 2025 annual meeting of the SPRFMO held from 17 to 21 February 2025.

Pending the outcome of that annual meeting, the text of the relevant recital of Council Regulation (EU) 2024/1015 is included in square brackets and the TACs in SPRFMO Convention area are marked 'pm'. As soon as the outcome of that annual meeting is known, the Commission services will update the proposal by means of a non-paper proposing the relevant TACs for 2025 at the level agreed in the SPRFMO.

IATTC

At its 2024 annual meeting, the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) maintained the closure periods for purse seine vessels fishing for yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) or skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*). That measure has already been implemented in EU law through Regulation (EU) 2025/202. In addition, at its 2024 annual meeting, the IATTC decided that Contracting Parties should report to its Secretariat annual catches of bigeye tuna by individual purse seine vessels by 15 February of the following year and to foresee additional days of closure for individual purse seine vessels in case those vessels reach specific thresholds in catches of bigeye tuna. It is proposed to also implement those measures in EU law.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

(1) Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202[9] fixes for 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters. Those fishing opportunities, including certain measures functionally linked thereto, should be amended to take into account the publication of scientific advice, as well as the outcomes of consultations with third countries and regional fisheries management organisations (RFMOs) meetings.

(2) [The recital and the relevant provisions will be updated after the conclusion of consultations between the Union and the United Kingdom.] [On 7 and 8 March 2024, the Union and the United Kingdom conducted bilateral consultations pursuant to Article 498(2), (4) and (6) of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part[10] ('Trade and Cooperation Agreement') on the level of the total allowable catches (TAC) for sandeel and associated by-catches (Ammodytes spp.) in United Kingdom and Union waters of ICES subarea 4, United Kingdom waters of ICES division 2a, and Union waters of division 3a. The Union participated in those consultations on the basis of the Union position endorsed by the Council on 4 March 2024. The outcome of those consultations was documented in a Written Record signed on 12 March 2024. The relevant TAC should therefore be set at the level agreed with the United Kingdom.]

(3) *[The recital and the relevant provisions will be updated after the approval by ICCAT of the Union annual plan.]* [Fishing effort limits for Union fishing vessels fishing for bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) in part of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) Convention area, in the Atlantic Ocean, east

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9 Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202 of 30 January 2025 fixing for 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) 2024/257 as regards fishing opportunities for 2025 (OJ L, 2025/202, 31.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/202/oj).

10 Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part (OJ L 149, 30.4.2021, p. 10, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2021/689(1)/oj).

of 45°W, and in the Mediterranean, and maximum input and capacity for Union farms of bluefin tuna in that area are based on information provided in the annual plans referred to in Articles 11, 13 and 15 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European Parliament and of the Council[11]. Member States are to submit those plans to the Commission by 31 January of each year, pursuant to Article 16(1) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053. Those plans are then compiled by the Commission and form the basis for the establishment of a Union annual plan, which is transmitted to the ICCAT Secretariat for discussion and approval by ICCAT, as required by Article 16(2) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053. On 6 March 2024, the 2024 Union annual plan was approved by ICCAT. The Union fishing effort limits and Union maximum farming input and capacity for 2024 should therefore be amended in line with that annual plan.]

(4) *[The recital and the relevant provisions will be updated after the approval by ICCAT of the Union annual plan.]* [Pursuant to Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2053, Member States included in their annual fishing and capacity management plans submitted to the Commission requests to carry-over 5 % of their annual quota of bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and the Mediterranean from 2023 to 2024. Based on those plans, the Commission submitted to the ICCAT Secretariat a revised Union annual plan for 2024 for approval by ICCAT. On 24 May 2024, ICCAT approved that plan. The quotas of the relevant Member States for bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45°W, and the Mediterranean for 2024 should therefore be amended accordingly.]

(5) Pursuant to Articles 8a, 17b and 18b of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 of the European Parliament and of the Council[12], annual quotas for certain Member States for: (i) bigeye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*) in the Atlantic Ocean; (ii) albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*) in the Atlantic Ocean, respectively north of 5°N and south of 5°N; and (iii) swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*) in the Atlantic Ocean, respectively north of 5°N and south of 5°N, were transferred from 2023 to 2025 in accordance with the relevant ICCAT recommendations. The quotas of the relevant Member States for those stocks for 2025 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) Article 33(1) of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 requires Union vessels to not harm and promptly release into the sea when incidentally by-caught, to the extent practicable, shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N ('North Atlantic shortfin mako'), while giving due consideration to the safety of crew members. At its 2021 annual meeting, ICCAT adopted a prohibition to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of North Atlantic shortfin mako. Therefore, that prohibition should be implemented in Union law. In addition, that prohibition should apply until 31 December 2025 or until the date on which an amendment to Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 introducing that prohibition becomes applicable, whichever is earlier.

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[11] Regulation (EU) Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, amending Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EU) 2017/2107, and (EU) 2019/833 and repealing Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 (OJ L 238, 27.9.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2053/oj).

[12] Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2017 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Convention area of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007 (OJ L 315, 30.11.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/2107/oj).

(7) *[The recital and the relevant provisions will be updated after the SPRFMO annual meeting.]* [At its 12th annual meeting in 2024, the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) adopted catch limits for jack mackerel (*Trachurus murphyi*) and maintained exploratory fisheries for toothfishes (*Dissostichus spp*.). In addition, the SPRFMO maintained or amended functionally linked measures. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.]

(8) At its 2024 annual meeting, the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) maintained the closure periods for purse seine vessels fishing for yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*), bigeye tuna or skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*). That measure has been implemented in Union law through Regulation (EU) 2025/202. In addition, at its 2024 annual meeting, the IATTC decided that Contracting Parties should report to its Secretariat annual catches of bigeye tuna by individual purse seine vessels by 15 February of the following year and to foresee additional days of closure for individual purse seine vessels in case those vessels reach specific thresholds in catches of bigeye tuna. Those measures should be implemented in Union law.

(9) Regulation (EU) 2025/202 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(10) The fishing opportunities, and measures functionally linked thereto, provided for in Regulation (EU) 2025/202 apply from 1 January 2025. The provisions introduced by this Regulation concerning fishing opportunities, and measures functionally linked thereto, should therefore also apply from that date. Such retroactive application does not affect the principles of legal certainty and protection of legitimate expectations, as the fishing opportunities concerned are increased and as functionally linked measures have already been implemented.

(11) Given the urgency of avoiding interruptions to fishing activities, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1
Amendment of Regulation (EU) 2025/202

Regulation (EU) 2025/202 is amended as follows:

(1) Article 29 is replaced by the following:

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Article 29
Sharks

1. In addition to the prohibitions established in Articles 32 to 36 of Regulation (EU) 2017/2107, it shall also be prohibited to engage in directed fishery for species of thresher sharks of the *Alopias* genus.

2. It shall also be prohibited to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N, caught in fisheries in the ICCAT Convention area.

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(2) In Article 37, the following paragraphs 5 and 6 are added:

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5. For Union purse seine fishing vessels fishing in the IATTC Convention area, flag Member States shall transmit to the Commission by 1 February data on annual catches of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area by individual vessels flying their flag in the previous year. The Commission shall compile and promptly transmit that information to the IATTC Secretariat.

6. The closure periods referred to in paragraph 1 shall be extended for any Union purse seine vessel fishing in the IATTC Convention area that exceeded during the previous year the following thresholds of catches of bigeye tuna:

– for such vessels that caught between 1 200 tonnes and 1 499 tonnes of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area in the previous year, that closure period shall be extended by 10 days;

– for such vessels that caught between 1 500 tonnes and 2 199 tonnes of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area in the previous year, that closure period shall be extended by 13 days;

– for such vessels that caught between 2 100 tonnes and 2 399 tonnes of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area in the previous year, that closure period shall be extended by 19 days; and

– for such vessels that caught 2 400 tonnes or more of bigeye tuna in the IATTC Convention area in the previous year, that closure period shall be extended by 22 days.

Such extensions of the closure periods shall be complied with by the concerned vessels as follows:

– for such vessels that selected the closure period referred to in paragraph 1, point (a), the additional days are to be complied with by those vessels before the commencement of that closure period; and

– for such vessels that select the closure period referred to in paragraph 1, point (b), the additional days are to be complied with by those vessels after the end of that closure period.

For each of those fishing vessels, the relevant flag Member State shall inform the Commission of such extensions of the closure periods when informing it of the selected closure periods in accordance with paragraph 2.

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(3) In Article 63, the following point (ha) is inserted:

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(ha) Article 29(2) shall apply from 1 January 2025 until 31 December 2025 or the date on which an amendment to Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 introducing a prohibition to retain on board, tranship or land any part or whole carcass of shortfin mako (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) in the Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N, caught in fisheries in the ICCAT Convention area becomes applicable, whichever is the earlier.

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(4) Annexes IA, Part B, Annexes ID, IH and VI are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Entry into force and application

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2025.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

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1. FRAMEWORK OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

1.1. Title of the proposal/initiative

Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2025/202 fixing for 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters

1.2. Policy area(s) concerned

Fisheries

1.3. Objective(s)

1.3.1. General objective(s)

1.3.2. Specific objective(s)

1.3.3. Expected result(s) and impact

Specify the effects which the proposal/initiative should have on the beneficiaries/groups targeted.

1.3.4. Indicators of performance

Specify the indicators for monitoring progress and achievements.

1.4. The proposal/initiative relates to:

☐ a new action

☐ a new action following a pilot project / preparatory action[13]

☐ the extension of an existing action

☐ a merger or redirection of one or more actions towards another/a new action

1.5. Grounds for the proposal/initiative

1.5.1. Requirement(s) to be met in the short or long term including a detailed timeline for roll-out of the implementation of the initiative

1.5.2. Added value of EU involvement (it may result from different factors, e.g. coordination gains, legal certainty, greater effectiveness or complementarities). For the purposes of this section 'added value of EU involvement' is the value resulting

[13] As referred to in Article 58(2), point (a) or (b) of the Financial Regulation.

from EU action, that is additional to the value that would have been otherwise created by Member States alone.

Reasons for action at EU level (ex-ante) Expected generated EU added value (ex-post)

1.5.3. Lessons learned from similar experiences in the past

1.5.4. Compatibility with the multiannual financial framework and possible synergies with other appropriate instruments

1.5.5. Assessment of the different available financing options, including scope for redeployment

1.6. Duration of the proposal/initiative and of its financial impact

☐ **limited duration**

– ☐ in effect from [DD/MM]YYYY to [DD/MM]YYYY

– ☐ financial impact from YYYY to YYYY for commitment appropriations and from YYYY to YYYY for payment appropriations.

☐ **unlimited duration**

– Implementation with a start-up period from YYYY to YYYY,

– followed by full-scale operation.

1.7. Method(s) of budget implementation planned[14]

☐ **Direct management** by the Commission

– ☐ by its departments, including by its staff in the Union delegations;

– ☐ by the executive agencies

☐ **Shared management** with the Member States

☐ **Indirect management** by entrusting budget implementation tasks to:

– ☐ third countries or the bodies they have designated

– ☐ international organisations and their agencies (to be specified)

– ☐ the European Investment Bank and the European Investment Fund

– ☐ bodies referred to in Articles 70 and 71 of the Financial Regulation

– ☐ public law bodies

– ☐ bodies governed by private law with a public service mission to the extent that they are provided with adequate financial guarantees

– ☐ bodies governed by the private law of a Member State that are entrusted with the implementation of a public-private partnership and that are provided with adequate financial guarantees

– ☐ bodies or persons entrusted with the implementation of specific actions in the common foreign and security policy pursuant to Title V of the Treaty on European Union, and identified in the relevant basic act

– ☐ bodies established in a Member State, governed by the private law of a Member State or Union law and eligible to be entrusted, in accordance with sector-specific rules, with the implementation of Union funds or budgetary guarantees, to the extent that such bodies are controlled by public law bodies or by bodies governed by private law with a public service mission, and are provided with adequate financial guarantees in the form of joint and several liability by the controlling bodies or equivalent financial guarantees and which may be, for each action, limited to the maximum amount of the Union support.

Comments

[14] Details of budget implementation methods and references to the Financial Regulation may be found on the BUDGpedia site: https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/corp/budget/financial-rules/budget-implementation/Pages/implementation-methods.aspx.

2. MANAGEMENT MEASURES

2.1. Monitoring and reporting rules

2.2. Management and control system(s)

2.2.1. Justification of the budget implementation method(s), the funding implementation mechanism(s), the payment modalities and the control strategy proposed

2.2.2. Information concerning the risks identified and the internal control system(s) set up to mitigate them

2.2.3. Estimation and justification of the cost-effectiveness of the controls (ratio between the control costs and the value of the related funds managed), and assessment of the expected levels of risk of error (at payment & at closure)

2.3. Measures to prevent fraud and irregularities

3. ESTIMATED FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

3.1. Heading(s) of the multiannual financial framework and expenditure budget line(s) affected

- Existing budget lines

In order of multiannual financial framework headings and budget lines.

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Budget line	Type of expenditure	Contribution			
	Number	Diff./Non-diff.[15]	from EFTA countries [16]	from candidate countries and potential candidates [17]	From other third countries	other assigned revenue
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO

- New budget lines requested

In order of multiannual financial framework headings and budget lines.

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Budget line	Type of expenditure	Contribution			
	Number	Diff./Non-diff.	from EFTA countries	from candidate countries and potential candidates	from other third countries	other assigned revenue
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]	Diff./Non-diff.	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO

15 Diff. = Differentiated appropriations / Non-diff. = Non-differentiated appropriations.
16 EFTA: European Free Trade Association.
17 Candidate countries and, where applicable, potential candidates from the Western Balkans.

3.2. Estimated financial impact of the proposal on appropriations

3.2.1. Summary of estimated impact on operational appropriations

– ☐ The proposal/initiative does not require the use of operational appropriations

– ☐ The proposal/initiative requires the use of operational appropriations, as explained below

3.2.1.1. Appropriations from voted budget

EUR million (to three decimal places)

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Number	

DG: <…….>			Year	Year	Year	Year	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
			2024	**2025**	**2026**	**2027**	
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[18]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

DG: <…….>			Year	Year	Year	Year	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
			2024	**2025**	**2026**	**2027**	
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**

[18] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[19]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
TOTAL operational appropriations	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations under HEADING <….> of the multiannual financial framework	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Number	

DG: <…….>	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**

[19] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[20]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b +3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

DG: <…….>			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[21]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b +3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**

[20] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

[21] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

TOTAL operational appropriations	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations under HEADING <….> of the multiannual financial framework	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
• TOTAL operational appropriations (all operational headings)	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes (all operational headings)		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations Under Heading 1 to 6 of the multiannual financial framework (Reference amount)	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

Heading of multiannual financial framework	**7**	'Administrative expenditure'[22]				
DG: <…….>		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**

[22] The necessary appropriations should be determined using the annual average cost figures available on the appropriate BUDGpedia webpage.

• Human resources		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• Other administrative expenditure		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL DG <…….>	Appropriations	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

DG: <…….>		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
• Human resources		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• Other administrative expenditure		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL DG <…….>	Appropriations	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

TOTAL appropriations under HEADING 7 of the multiannual financial framework	(Total commitments = Total payments)	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

EUR million (to three decimal places)

		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
TOTAL appropriations under HEADINGS 1 to 7	Commitments	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
of the multiannual financial framework	Payments	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

3.2.1.2. Appropriations from external assigned revenues

EUR million (to three decimal places)

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Number	

DG: <…….>	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**

Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[23]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
DG: <…….>			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[24]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
TOTAL operational appropriations	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**

[23] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

[24] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations under HEADING <….>	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
of the multiannual financial framework	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
Heading of multiannual financial framework	Number						

DG: <…….>			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[25]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

DG: <…….>			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
Operational appropriations							
Budget line	Commitments	(1a)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2a)					**0.000**

[25] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

Budget line	Commitments	(1b)					**0.000**
	Payments	(2b)					**0.000**
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes[26]							
Budget line		(3)					**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations for DG <…….>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=2a+2b+3	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
TOTAL operational appropriations	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL appropriations under HEADING <….> of the multiannual financial framework	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

			Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
• TOTAL operational appropriations (all operational headings)	Commitments	(4)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
	Payments	(5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes (all operational headings)		(6)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**

[26] Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

TOTAL appropriations under Headings 1 to 6 of the multiannual financial framework (Reference amount)	Commitments	=4+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
	Payments	=5+6	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

Heading of multiannual financial framework	**7**	'Administrative expenditure'[27]

EUR million (to three decimal places)

DG: <…….>		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
• Human resources		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• Other administrative expenditure		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL DG <…….>	Appropriations	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

DG: <…….>		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021-2027**
• Human resources		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
• Other administrative expenditure		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
TOTAL DG <…….>	Appropriations	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

TOTAL appropriations under HEADING 7 of the multiannual financial framework	(Total commitments = Total payments)	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

EUR million (to three decimal places)

	Year	Year	Year	Year	**TOTAL MFF**

[27] The necessary appropriations should be determined using the annual average cost figures available on the appropriate BUDGpedia webpage.

		2024	2025	2026	2027	2021-2027
TOTAL appropriations under HEADINGS 1 to 7	Commitments	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
of the multiannual financial framework	Payments	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

3.2.2. Estimated output funded from operational appropriations (not to be completed for decentralised agencies)

Commitment appropriations in EUR million (to three decimal places)

Indicate objectives and outputs ⇩			Year **2024**		Year **2025**		Year **2026**		Year **2027**		Enter as many years as necessary to show the duration of the impact (see Section1.6)						**TOTAL**	
			OUTPUTS															
	Type[28]	Average cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	No	Cost	Total No	Total cost
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE No 1[29]…																		
- Output																		
- Output																		
- Output																		
Subtotal for specific objective No 1																		
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE No 2 ...																		
- Output																		
Subtotal for specific objective No 2																		

[28] Outputs are products and services to be supplied (e.g. number of student exchanges financed, number of km of roads built, etc.).

[29] As described in Section 1.3.2. 'Specific objective(s)'

TOTALS																

3.2.3. Summary of estimated impact on administrative appropriations

– ☐ The proposal/initiative does not require the use of appropriations of an administrative nature

– ☐ The proposal/initiative requires the use of appropriations of an administrative nature, as explained below

3.2.3.1. Appropriations from voted budget

VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	Year 2024	Year 2025	Year 2026	Year 2027	TOTAL 2021 - 2027
HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Other administrative expenditure	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
Outside HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Other expenditure of an administrative nature	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal outside HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
TOTAL	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

3.2.3.2. Appropriations from external assigned revenues

EXTERNAL ASSIGNED REVENUES	Year 2024	Year 2025	Year 2026	Year 2027	TOTAL 2021 - 2027
HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Other administrative expenditure	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
Outside HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Other expenditure of an administrative nature	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal outside HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
TOTAL	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

3.2.3.3. Total appropriations

TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS + EXTERNAL ASSIGNED REVENUES	Year 2024	Year 2025	Year 2026	Year 2027	TOTAL 2021 - 2027
HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Other administrative expenditure	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
Outside HEADING 7					
Human resources	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**

Other expenditure of an administrative nature	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal outside HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
TOTAL	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

The appropriations required for human resources and other expenditure of an administrative nature will be met by appropriations from the DG that are already assigned to management of the action and/or have been redeployed within the DG, together, if necessary, with any additional allocation which may be granted to the managing DG under the annual allocation procedure and in the light of budgetary constraints.

3.2.4. Estimated requirements of human resources

– ☐ The proposal/initiative does not require the use of human resources

– ☐ The proposal/initiative requires the use of human resources, as explained below

3.2.4.1. Financed from voted budget

Estimate to be expressed in full-time equivalent units (FTEs)[30]

VOTED APPROPRIATIONS		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**
• Establishment plan posts (officials and temporary staff)					
20 01 02 01 (Headquarters and Commission's Representation Offices)		0	0	0	0
20 01 02 03 (EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 01 (Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 11 (Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify)		0	0	0	0
• External staff (inFTEs)					
20 02 01 (AC, END from the 'global envelope')		0	0	0	0
20 02 03 (AC, AL, END and JPD in the EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
Admin. Support line [XX.01.YY.YY]	- at Headquarters	0	0	0	0
	- in EU Delegations	0	0	0	0
01 01 01 02 (AC, END - Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 12 (AC, END - Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Heading 7		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Outside Heading 7		0	0	0	0
TOTAL		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

3.2.4.2. Financed from external assigned revenues

EXTERNAL ASSIGNED REVENUES	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**
• Establishment plan posts (officials and temporary staff)				
20 01 02 01 (Headquarters and Commission's Representation Offices)	0	0	0	0

30 Please specify below the table how many FTEs within the number indicated are already assigned to the management of the action and/or can be redeployed within your DG and what are your net needs.

20 01 02 03 (EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 01 (Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 11 (Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify)		0	0	0	0
• External staff (in full time equivalent units)					
20 02 01 (AC, END from the 'global envelope')		0	0	0	0
20 02 03 (AC, AL, END and JPD in the EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
Admin. Support line [XX.01.YY.YY]	- at Headquarters	0	0	0	0
	- in EU Delegations	0	0	0	0
01 01 01 02 (AC, END - Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 12 (AC, END - Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Heading 7		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Outside Heading 7		0	0	0	0
TOTAL		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

3.2.4.3. Total requirements of human resources

TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS + EXTERNAL ASSIGNED REVENUES		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**
• Establishment plan posts (officials and temporary staff)					
20 01 02 01 (Headquarters and Commission's Representation Offices)		0	0	0	0
20 01 02 03 (EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 01 (Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 11 (Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify)		0	0	0	0
• External staff (in full time equivalent units)					
20 02 01 (AC, END from the 'global envelope')		0	0	0	0
20 02 03 (AC, AL, END and JPD in the EU Delegations)		0	0	0	0
Admin. Support line [XX.01.YY.YY]	- at Headquarters	0	0	0	0
	- in EU Delegations	0	0	0	0
01 01 01 02 (AC, END - Indirect research)		0	0	0	0
01 01 01 12 (AC, END - Direct research)		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Heading 7		0	0	0	0
Other budget lines (specify) - Outside Heading 7		0	0	0	0
TOTAL		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

The staff required to implement the proposal (in FTEs):

	To be covered by current staff available in the Commission services	**Exceptional additional staff***		
		To be financed under Heading 7	**To be financed from BA line**	**To be financed from fees**

		or Research		
Establishment plan posts			N/A	
External staff (CA, SNEs, INT)				

Description of tasks to be carried out by:

Officials and temporary staff	
External staff	

3.2.5. Overview of estimated impact on digital technology-related investments

Compulsory: the best estimate of the digital technology-related investments entailed by the proposal/initiative should be included in the table below.

Exceptionally, when required for the implementation of the proposal/initiative, the appropriations under Heading 7 should be presented in the designated line.

The appropriations under Headings 1-6 should be reflected as "Policy IT expenditure on operational programmes". This expenditure refers to the operational budget to be used to re-use/ buy/ develop IT platforms/ tools directly linked to the implementation of the initiative and their associated investments (e.g. licences, studies, data storage etc). The information provided in this table should be consistent with details presented under Section 4 "Digital dimensions".

TOTAL Digital and IT appropriations	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	**TOTAL MFF 2021 - 2027**
HEADING 7					
IT expenditure (corporate)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
Outside HEADING 7					
Policy IT expenditure on operational programmes	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	**0.000**
Subtotal outside HEADING 7	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**
TOTAL	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**	**0.000**

3.2.6. Compatibility with the current multiannual financial framework

The proposal/initiative:

– ☐ can be fully financed through redeployment within the relevant heading of the multiannual financial framework (MFF)

– ☐ requires use of the unallocated margin under the relevant heading of the MFF and/or use of the special instruments as defined in the MFF Regulation

– ☐ requires a revision of the MFF

3.2.7. Third-party contributions

The proposal/initiative:

– ☐ does not provide for co-financing by third parties

– ☐ provides for the co-financing by third parties estimated below:

Appropriations in EUR million (to three decimal places)

	Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**	Total
Specify the co-financing body					
TOTAL appropriations co-financed					

3.3. Estimated impact on revenue

– ☐ The proposal/initiative has no financial impact on revenue.

– ☐ The proposal/initiative has the following financial impact:

☐ on own resources

☐ on other revenue

☐ please indicate, if the revenue is assigned to expenditure lines

EUR million (to three decimal places)

Budget revenue line:	Appropriations available for the current financial year	Impact of the proposal/initiative[31]			
		Year **2024**	Year **2025**	Year **2026**	Year **2027**
Article …….					

For assigned revenue, specify the budget expenditure line(s) affected.

Other remarks (e.g. method/formula used for calculating the impact on revenue or any other information).

[31] As regards traditional own resources (customs duties, sugar levies), the amounts indicated must be net amounts, i.e. gross amounts after deduction of 20% for collection costs.

4. DIGITAL DIMENSIONS

4.1. Requirements of digital relevance

If the policy initiative is assessed as having no requirement of digital relevance, provide an explanation as to why digital means are not used.

Otherwise, please list the requirements of digital relevance in the table below:

Reference to the requirement	Requirement description	Actor affected or concerned by the requirement	High-level Processes	Category
Article 1(2) and Annex	Reporting levels (i.e. individual fishing vessels to Member States), frequencies and triggers, as well as codes for catches of certain fish stocks in relation to the existing reporting requirements under the 'Fisheries Control Regulation' (Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009)	European Commission, flag Member States, RFMOs Secretariats (in certain cases)	Data submission, reporting	Data

4.2. Data

High-level description of the data in scope and any related standards/specifications

Type of data	Reference(s) to the requirement	Standard and/or specification (if applicable)
Catches of certain fish stocks	Article 1(2) and Annex	//

Alignment with the European Data Strategy

Explain how the requirement(s) are aligned with the European Data Strategy

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Alignment with the once-only principle

Explain how the once-only principle has been considered how the possibility to reuse existing data explored

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Explain how newly created data is findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable, and meets high-quality standards

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Data flows

Type of data	Reference(s) to the requirement(s)	Actor who provides the data	Actor who receives the data	Trigger for the data exchange	Frequency (if applicable)
Catches of certain fish stocks at a certain level	Article 1 (2) and Annex	flag Member States	European Commission	Certain frequency or overall catch level	Weekly to annually
Catches of certain fish stocks at a certain level (in certain cases)	Article 1 (2) and Annex	European Commission	RFMO Secretariat	Reception of flag Member State reporting	Weekly to annually

4.3. Digital solutions

For each digital solution, please provide the reference to the requirement(s) of digital relevance concerning it, a description of the digital solution's mandated functionality, the body that will be responsible for it, and other relevant aspects such as reusability and accessibility. Finally, explain whether the digital solution intends to make use of AI technologies.

Digital solution	Reference(s)	Main mandated functionalities	Responsible	How is accessibility	How is reusability	Use of AI

	to the requirement(s)		body	catered for?	considered?	technologies (if applicable)
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For each digital solution, explain how the digital solution complies with the requirements and obligations of the EU cybersecurity framework, and other applicable digital policies and legislative enactments (such as eIDAS, Single Digital Gateway, etc.).

4.4. Interoperability assessment

Describe the digital public service(s) affected by the requirements

Digital public service or category of digital public services	Description	Reference(s) to the requirement(s)	Interoperable Europe Solution(s) (NOT APPLICABLE)	Other interoperability solution(s)
NA	//	//		//

Assess the impact of the requirement(s) on cross-border interoperability

Assessment	Measures	Potential remaining barriers
Assess the alignment with existing digital and sectorial policies **Please list the applicable digital and sectorial policies identified**	NA	NA
Assess the organisational measures for a smooth cross-border digital public services delivery **Please list the governance measures**	NA	NA

foreseen		
Assess the measures taken to ensure a shared understanding of the data **Please list such measures**	NA	NA
Assess the use of commonly agreed open technical specifications and standards **Please list such measures**	NA	NA

4.5. Measures to support digital implementation

Description of the measure	**Reference(s) to the requirement(s)**	**Commission role** (if applicable)	**Actors to be involved** (if applicable)	**Expected timeline** (if applicable)
NA				