

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

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AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Proposal to amend the rice CMO Regulation (Regulation (EC) 1785/2003 of 29 September 2003) as a result of negotiations under Article XXVIII of the GATT**
 - *Adoption* *
2. **(poss.) Proposal to amend Council Regulation (EC) 1576/89 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks**
 - *Policy debate*
3. **Regulation amending the CMO in Flax and Hemp (Regulation (EC) No 1673/2000 of 27 July 2000)**
 - *Adoption* *
4. **Council Decision on the conclusion of an agreement between the EC and Australia on trade in wine**
 - *Adoption*

COREPER POINTS

5. **(poss.) New amendments to the veterinary fund (Council Decision 90/424)**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
6. **AOB**
Avian Influenza (H5N1)
 - *Information from the Commission*

* possible "A" item

FISHERIES

7. **Proposal for a recovery plan for Eastern Baltic cod and management plan for plaice and sole in the North Sea**
 - *Policy debate*
8. **(poss.) Commission Communication on restructuring measures for the fisheries sector affected by the current economic crisis**
 - *Exchange of views*
9. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation: European Fisheries Fund**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
10. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing Community financial measures for the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy and in the area of the Law of the Sea**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
11. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea and amending Regulations (EC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 973/2001**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
12. **Proposal for a Council regulation on electronic recording and reporting of fishing activities and on means of remote sensing**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
13. **Council Working Methods for fisheries**
 - *Council conclusions*
14. **Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 3317/94 as regards the transmission of applications for fishing licenses to third countries**
 - *Adoption **
15. **Action Plan "Simplifying and improving the regulatory environment"**
 - *Exchange of views*
16. **Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community of the Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica**
 - *Adoption **

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