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to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Maritime fisheries

Fishermen have to submit to checks of all kinds to show that catch limits and the numerous other rules governing fishing practices are being observed. The checks are carried out under the instruction of, and with the participation of, the European Fisheries Control Agency. On the Baltic Sea, the EU has carried out a vast number of checks on Polish fishing boats. It is clear that there are huge disparities in the way the various countries bordering the Baltic Sea are treated.

What is the justification for imposing so many checks on Polish fishing boats, which could lead to Polish boats being treated more harshly than fishing boats from the other Member States bordering the Baltic Sea?