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AMENDMENTS 1-2

tabled by the Committee on Fisheries

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Extension of the EC-Comoros Fisheries Protocol

Proposal for a regulation (COM(2004) 0540 – C6-0115/2004 – 2004/0185(CNS))

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendments by Parliament

Amendment 1 Article 3a (new)

Article 3a

Before the extension of the Protocol expires and before any agreement on the renewal thereof is concluded, the Commission shall submit to the European Parliament and the Council a report on its application, including an analysis of the use of funds earmarked for targeted measures, in order to assess the economic, social and environmental impact of the agreement.

Justification

Specific measures are becoming increasingly important in fisheries agreements. The report laid down in the Protocol and notified to the Commission should therefore be forwarded to Parliament and the Council.

Amendment 2 Article 3b (new)

Article 3b

1. On the basis of the report referred to in Article 3a and after consulting the

European Parliament, the Council shall, if appropriate, authorise the Commission to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a new protocol.

2. The Commission shall produce a discussion paper outlining the options that are available for improving transparency and accountability as regards the implementation of targeted measures in fisheries agreements.

Justification

Before the conclusion of any new agreement, the Commission should ask the authorities of the state with which it is to enter into negotiations to supply information that will enable the Commission to submit a general assessment report to Parliament and the Council.