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Amendment 1

Ska Keller

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Report

A9-0353/2023

Bert-Jan Ruissen

Implementation of the Regulation establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of European eel (2023/2030(INI))

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas ICES has advised that when the precautionary approach is applied, there should be zero catches in all habitats in 2023 and 2024 and that this applies to both recreational and commercial catches and includes catches of glass eels for restocking and aquaculture; whereas restocking is reliant on a glass eel catch, which is in contradiction with the current advice; whereas the net benefit of restocking to the reproductive potential of the eel stock is unknown;

Or. en

Amendment 2**Ska Keller**

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 5***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

5. Is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation may undermine the coherence of adopted policy; ***has deep concerns, therefore, about the non-holistic*** approach taken in Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a six-month closing period ***without considering a full package of measures in other policy areas as well as appropriate compensation;***

5. Is of the opinion that measures taken outside of the context of the Eel Regulation may undermine the coherence of adopted policy; ***notes the*** approach taken in Council Regulation (EU) 2023/194 of 30 January 2023 fixing for 2023 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, as well as fixing for 2023 and 2024 such fishing opportunities for certain deep-sea fish stocks, restricting eel fisheries with a six-month closing period;

Or. en

Amendment 3**Ska Keller**

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 13***Motion for a resolution*

13. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; ***is of the view that restocking is a necessary measure in the short to medium term until the problem of migration barriers is solved adequately; calls on the Member States, in this regard, to continue the practice of restocking, including with EMFAF support***; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local and regional level, mainly on fish biodiversity; recalls that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that legal glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

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13. Reaffirms that restocking is one of the recovery measures listed under Article 2(8) of the Eel Regulation; ***highlights that ICES advises, for the second year in a row, zero catches in all habitats in 2024, applying to both recreational and commercial catches and including catches of glass eels for restocking and aquaculture***; highlights the fact that, although the contribution of restocking to stock recovery at an international level cannot be ascertained, it can have positive effects at local and regional level, mainly on fish biodiversity; recalls that restocking is a way of spreading and limiting risks for the recovery of the stock, considering the increasing drought that is causing problems in rivers throughout Europe; points out, furthermore, that catches for restocking are relatively low (2-3 % of all glass eels); stresses that legal glass eel catches are crucial for the European aquaculture sector and recognises the important role of aquaculture in restocking;

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Amendment 4

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

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20. Encourages the Member States to study thoroughly and to take measures against other anthropogenic mortality factors, such as pollution and parasites, as well as predators; urges Member States to address gaps and delays in environmental legislation and to have in place proper management plans for other species affecting the eel population, ***such as cormorants in some areas***; emphasises the importance of having high-standard quarantine rules for glass eels to prevent the spread of parasites during restocking;

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