Question for written answer E-8262/2010 to the Commission Rule 117 Marek Józef Gróbarczyk (ECR)

Subject: Ban on cod fishing - Commission Regulation (EC) No 804/2007 of 9 July 2007

The answer given by Commissioner Maria Damanaki gives an exhaustive account of the circumstances surrounding the introduction of Commission Regulation (EC) No 804/2007¹ of 9 July 2007.

It is essential that stocks are protected and that living aquatic resources are exploited in a sustainable way for biological, environmental and economic reasons. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that the Commission hand over all relevant data in its possession in order for a clear and thorough assessment to be carried out into whether Poland used up its 2007 catch quota for cod.

In this connection, could the Commission provide me with the complete set of data obtained during inspections carried out in Poland in the first quarter of 2007 and all other data on the basis of which the Commission decided to introduce Regulation No 804/2007 of 9 July 2007 establishing a prohibition of fishing for cod in the Baltic Sea by vessels flying the flag of Poland?

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