Question for written answer E-011501/2011 to the Commission Rule 117 Marek Józef Gróbarczyk (ECR)

Subject: Distribution of salmon fishing opportunities at Member State level

As the European Parliament's rapporteur on the Commission's latest proposal on a multiannual plan for the Baltic salmon stock and the fisheries exploiting that stock (COM(2011)0470 final), I should like to enquire about the practical arrangements at Member State level for distributing salmon fishing opportunities in the Baltic Sea.

Once salmon fishing opportunities have been granted, how does each Member State decide to distribute fishing opportunities among vessels flying its flag in relation to the opportunities assigned to the Member State concerned under EU law? Does the Commission have any information on this?

Is this done in a way that is based on methods developed by the Commission, or is it an internal matter for each individual Member State?

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