

**Question for written answer P-5184/2010  
to the Commission**

Rule 117

**Marek Józef Gróbarczyk (ECR)**

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

Commission Regulation (EC) No 804/2007<sup>1</sup> establishing a prohibition of fishing for cod in the Baltic Sea by vessels flying the flag of Poland, which was brought in on the basis of expected overfishing by fishermen with small, medium-sized and large vessels, has deprived the fishermen concerned of their only source of income. So far, it is also having an adverse socio-economic impact on the regions whose very existence was – and still is – dependent on being able to fish.

Could the Commission please provide me with all the data and documentation on the basis of which it deemed that Poland had exhausted its 2007 catch quota for cod and brought in Regulation (EC) 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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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 180, 10.7.2007, p. 3.