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In view of the time being taken by the the MFF negotiations, the Commission has decided to extend the existing legal framework and make a number of changes to the CAP. In this way, continuity of legislation is ensured in 2021 also, pending entry into force of the new system.

Given that the legislative framework and the resulting delegated and implementing acts will not be formally adopted by 2020, approval and implementation of the new EMFF also risks being delayed.

A bridging measure would therefore be necessary for the CFP also, removing regulatory obstacles to the use of financial resources, in particular the time limits set out in Articles 33 and 34 on temporary and final cessation and the funding limits specified in Article 25.

In view of this, will the Commission take the same or similar action for the EMFF as for the CAP in order to to ensure continuity and guaranteed funding for fisheries management?