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Updates to Commission Proposal COM (2021)280 for a Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/92 as regards certain fishing opportunities in Union and non-Union waters

- 1. Amendments to Commission Proposal regarding farming input and capacity limits in the Convention Area of the International Commission for the Conservation for Atlantic Tunas.....2**

I. Amendments to Commission Proposal regarding farming input and capacity limits in the Convention Area of the International Commission for the Conservation for Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT Recommendation 19-04 paragraphs 24 and 27)

The figures provided in point 6 of Annex VI are the result of transfers of farming input and capacity between Member states. Those transfers are temporary and apply exclusively to the 2021 quota period. The total farming capacity and input capacity of the EU has not been modified.

CHANGES PROPOSED

(1) The following recital is inserted:

“Pursuant to ICCAT Recommendation 19-04 paragraphs 24 and 27, input and capacity limits for Union farms caging Bluefin tuna fished in the ICCAT Convention Area are based on information provided in the farming plans for bluefin tuna communicated by Member States to the Commission. These limits are reported through the EU plan to ICCAT.”

(2) Annex VI is amended as follows:

Point 6 is replaced by the following:

6. Maximum bluefin tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity for each Member State and maximum input of wild caught bluefin tuna that each Member State may allocate to its farms in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean.

Table A

Maximum tuna farming capacity and fattening capacity		
	Number of farms	Capacity (in tonnes)
Spain	10	11852
Italy	13	9564
Greece	2	2100
Cyprus	3	3000
Croatia	7	7880
Malta	6	14511

Table B¹

Maximum input of wild caught bluefin tuna (in tonnes)	
Spain	6850
Italy	1739,5
Greece	785
Cyprus	2195
Croatia	2947
Malta	10260,5
Portugal	350

¹ The farming capacity of Portugal of 500 tonnes is covered by the unused capacity of the Union set out in table A.