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Updates to Commission proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2024, 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2023/194 as regards deep-sea stocks [COM(2023) 587]

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

At its 2023 annual meeting, the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) decided the EU quota of North Atlantic blue shark (*Prionace glauca*) for 2024, taking into account the annual transfer of 348 tonnes to the Kingdom of Morocco until the next stock assessment by the Standing Committee on Research and Statistics.

The Commission proposal, as updated by the Commission services' non-papers of 27 November 2023, 4 December 2023 and 9 December 2023¹, should therefore be updated by amending that EU quota and the Member States' quotas under that EU quota accordingly and adding a footnote to clarify that the EU quota takes into account such annual transfer.

In addition, it is proposed to delete recital (11) as it is no longer relevant.

AMENDMENTS TO THE RECITALS

Recital (11) is deleted.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEXES

In Annex ID, Table 4 is replaced by the following:

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Table 4

Species:	Blue shark <i>Prionace glauca</i>	Zone:	Atlantic Ocean, north of 5°N (BSH/AN05N)
Ireland	0,72	Analytical TAC	
Spain	20 309,50	Article 3(2) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
France	113,96	Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Portugal	4 024,82		
Union	24 449,00 ⁽¹⁾		
TAC	30 000		

(1) After transfer of 348 tonnes to Morocco.

¹ https://oceans-and-fisheries.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-11/2023-11-27-non-paper-updates-2024-fishing-opportunities-regulation-com-587-iccat-iotc_en.pdf
https://oceans-and-fisheries.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-12/2023-12-04-non-paper-updates-2024-fishing-opportunities-regulation-com-587_en.pdf
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