

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article 116

Suggestion for Part: III

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1. The Union shall define and implement a common agriculture and fisheries policy.

~~"Agricultural products" means the products of the soil, of stockfarming and of fisheries and products of first-stage processing directly related to these products. References to the common agricultural policy or to agriculture, and the use of the term "agricultural", shall be understood as also referring to fisheries, insofar as they are compatible with the specific characteristics of this sector.~~

2. References to agriculture shall be understood as also referring to fisheries.

3. "Agricultural products" means the products of the soil, of stockfarming and of fisheries and products of first-stage processing directly related to these products.

Explanation (if any):

The new Article proposed by the Praesidium is a step in the right direction. The Article firmly establishes the common fisheries policy. This meets the desire of the fisheries sector for increased visibility in the Convention. However the Article is not easy to read, and this is what our proposed amendment aims to alleviate. We have rephrased the Article, so that the term "common agricultural and fisheries policy" is used throughout the Section (also increasing awareness of fisheries) whereas "agriculture" also refers to fisheries.