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SEA FISHERIES

CONSERVATION OF SEA FISH

The Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (No. 2) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2003

Made10th March 2003Laid before the Scottish Parliament10th March 2003

Coming into force 11th March 2003

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5(1) and 22(2) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (No. 2) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2003 and shall come into force on 11th March 2003.

Amendment of the Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2000

- **2.**—(1) The Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2000(**b**) is amended in accordance with this article.
- (2) In article 3(2)(d) (prohibition of method of fishing), for "100 millimetres" there is substituted "95 millimetres".

ROSS FINNIE
A member of the Scottish Executive

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 10th March 2003

⁽a) 1967 c.84; section 5(1) was substituted by the Fisheries Act 1981 (c.29), section 22(1). Relevant modifications are contained in the Scotland Act 1998 (Functions Exercisable in or as Regards Scotland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/1748), article 5 and the Scotland Act 1998 (Modification of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/1756), articles 3, 5 and 6. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scotlish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46). Section 22(2), which contains a definition of "the Ministers", was modified in relation to Scotland by section 22A(12)(b) of the 1967 Act, as inserted by the Scotland Act 1998 (Consequential Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/1820), Schedule 2, paragraph 43(13).

⁽b) S.S.I. 2000/405.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Prohibition of Fishing with Multiple Trawls (No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2000 (S.S.I. 2000/405) ("the principal Order"). The Order forms part of the law of Scotland only.

The principal Order provides for stricter measures for the management and conservation of stocks pursuant to Article 46 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 850/98 of 30th March 1998 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (O.J. No. L 125, 27.4.98, p.1).

The Order, which is also made pursuant to Article 46 of that Regulation, amends article 3(2)(d) of the principal Order in relation to the mesh size of trawl excepted from article 3(1) of the principal Order by reducing the mesh size from 100 millimetres to 95 millimetres (article 2).

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