## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision for the administration, execution and enforcement of directly applicable Community provisions relating to the marketing of preserved tuna and bonito in the Community set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1536/92 (OJ No. L163, 17.6.92, p.1).

The Regulations

- (a) designate authorities for the purposes of enforcement (regulation 3);
- (b) prescribe offences and penalties (regulation 4);
- (c) apply various provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 in relation to the Community provisions (regulation 5);
- (d) amend the Food Labelling Regulations 1984 and the Food Labelling (Scotland) Regulations 1984.

Under transitional provisions contained in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article 9 of the Council Regulation the marketing of products which were labelled before 1st January 1993 and of products for which the terms "tuna" and "bonito" are associated in the trade description are permitted for the respective periods referred to in those paragraphs (regulation 4(2)).