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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 of 20 December 2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy[(1)], and in particular Article 26(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 of 12 October 1993 establishing a control system applicable to common fisheries policy[(2)], and in particular Article 21(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Council Regulation (EC) No 51/2006 of 22 December 2005 fixing for 2006 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in Community waters and for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required[(3)], lays down quotas for 2006.

(2) On 6 October 2006 Sweden notified the Commission, pursuant to Article 21(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93, that it would close the fishery for common sole in the waters of ICES zone III a, III b, c, d for its vessels from 6 October 2006.

(3) On 1 November 2006 the Commission, pursuant to Article 21(3) of Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 and Article 26(4) of Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002, adopted Regulation (EC) No 1631/2006 prohibiting fishing for common sole in the waters of ICES zone III a, III b, c, d by vessels flying the flag of Sweden or registered in Sweden, with effect from the same date.

(4) According to the information received by the Commission from the Swedish authorities, a quantity of common sole is still available in the Swedish quota in area III a, III b, c, d. Consequently, fishing for common sole in these waters by vessels flying the flag of Sweden or registered in Sweden should be authorised.

(5) This authorisation should take effect on 24 November 2006, in order to allow the quantity of common sole in question to be finished before the end of the current year.

(6) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1631/2006 should be repealed with effect from 24 November 2006,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EC) No 1887/2006. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 1

Repeal

Regulation (EC) No 1631/2006 is hereby repealed.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 24 November 2006.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 December 2006.

For the Commission

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