COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

of 17.1.2024

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,


Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishes a system for control, inspection and enforcement to ensure compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy in the Union. Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 provides that, without prejudice to the primary responsibility of the coastal Member States, Union inspectors may carry out inspections in accordance with that Regulation in Union waters and on Union fishing vessels outside Union waters.

(2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011² lays down detailed rules for the application of the Union control system as established by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009. More specifically, it provides that the list of Union inspectors is to be adopted by the Commission on the basis of the notifications of Member States and of the European Fisheries Control Agency ('the Agency').


(4) In accordance with Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011, after the establishment of the initial list, Member States and the Agency are to notify to the Commission by October each year of any amendment to the list they wish to introduce for the following calendar year, and the Commission is to amend the list accordingly by 31 December.

(5) Some Member States and the Agency have notified the Commission of amendments that they wish to introduce to the current list of inspectors. The list established by Implementing Decision C(2022)8920 should therefore be replaced by a new list of Union inspectors on the basis of those notifications.

(6) Implementing Decision C(2022)8920 should therefore be repealed and replaced by this Decision.

(7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Fisheries and Aquaculture Committee.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The amended list of Union inspectors to be adopted following notifications from Member States and the Agency is set out in the Annex.

Article 2

Implementing Decision C(2022)8920 final is repealed.

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Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17.1.2024

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission