



COMMUNITY FISHERIES CONTROL AGENCY
Administrative Board

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Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Administrative Board
Vigo, 14 and 15 June 2006

1. Attendance

The Chair declared the meeting opened at 10 a.m. having verified that the quorum was attained. He welcomed new members (Messrs Jensen, Navarro Garcia, De Peuter, Simsic, Gooding, Beamish and Ms Ingerup) who were invited to undersign the commitment of independence. The Chair also informed the Board that, following a written authorization, Mr Schmidt was represented by Mr Demaiter, Mr Drunka by Mr Babcionis and Mr Savouret by Mr Laurec. The Chair also noted that Messrs Dotchev and Gheorghe were absent, and Messrs Navarro, Simsic and Ralph were present but they had no right to vote. Mr De Peuter arrived later because of a flight delay when the Board was examining point 6.

2. Agenda

The Chair proposed to modify the agenda so that the interviews of the candidates to the post of Executive Director could start at the beginning of the afternoon. The Board accepted the proposal unanimously.

3. Approval of the minutes of the 1st meeting of the Administrative Boards

The minutes were approved unanimously without any comment.

4. Working arrangement of the Administrative Board

As agreed during the 1st meeting of the Administrative Board, the Chair invited the Members to intervene on issues related to the rules of the procedures. Since no Member asked for the floor, the Chair concluded that the Board was satisfied with the existing rules.

5. Adoption of a set of questions and assessment criteria for interview of the candidates for the post of Executive Director

The Chair circulated a draft document containing 6 questions he proposed to be addressed to the candidates. Also a document specifying the evaluation criteria was circulated to the Members.

The Chair invited Members to express their views on each question. Most of the members intervened in the discussion and the 6 questions were adapted. A new version was submitted to the Board that approved it unanimously.

6. Adoption of the Agency's financial rules

The Chair invited Mr Prado to give a general presentation of the draft text. This was prepared by DG FISH' services on the basis of the framework Regulation (n° 2343/2202). Mr Prado gave a presentation explaining also why it would have been preferable not to depart from the general framework, save for the necessary formal adaptations. Several Members asked for clarifications and Mr Prado answered them. Then the Chair explained that the Board should postpone the adoption of the financial rules since the Commission's agreement and the Court of Auditors' opinion were still missing. -Meanwhile the Regulation n°2343/2002 would apply. The Chair then invited the Board to examine and adopt a decision on the implementation of the Agency's budget during the setting up phase. Subject to formal amendments, the decision was adopted unanimously.

7. Appointment of the Executive Director

The CVs of the two candidates short-listed by the Commission were circulated. Mr Laurec read the text of Commission's decision, dated June 7, whereby Messrs Jerzy Kleniewski and Harm Koster were selected to be interviewed by the Administrative Board in view of the appointment of the Executive Director. In that Decision, the Commission expressed the view that Mr Koster should be considered the most suitable candidate. The Deputy Chair emphasized that Members should feel free to cast their vote on the candidate they deemed the most suitable since the Commission's opinion is absolutely not stringent.

In order to decide the order of the interviews, the Deputy Chair tossed a coin. As a result, Mr Kleniewski was to be interviewed first, at 4 p.m., and Mr Koster second, at 5 p.m.

The Board decided also that questions would be put to the candidates by the Chair and the Deputy, alternatively. Each interview should last not longer than 45 minutes, as a general rule, and candidates would receive a written text of each question.

At 4 p.m., Mr Kleniewski was invited to the interview. He answered the 6 questions. He was also asked to answer in languages other than English to show linguistic skills.

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Immediately after the two interviews came to an end, 31 ballots were distributed to the Members with a right to vote and the Chair invited them to cast a vote by secret ballot. The ballots were collected and the Chair announced that Mr Koster had received 24 votes and Mr Kleniewski 7 votes. The Chair declared that Mr Koster should be appointed as Executive Director.

The two candidates were informed of the outcome by the Chair immediately after the vote.

8. Adoption on decisions on short term recruitments

The Board was informed that DG FISH would recruit on a short-term contract 1A, 2B and 1C in order to help the starting up of the Agency.

9. Report on the seat of the Agency in Vigo and decision on a provisional seat

Mr Curcio informed the Board that Spanish Authorities would seek to satisfy the Agency's requirements in term of space and facilities and that they were ready to discuss the matter with the Executive Director and the Commission. Mr Laurec underlined that CFCA should move its seat to Vigo only when all conditions would be satisfied.

The Board was informed that office space will be made available in Brussels as of 1st of July and that the Agency would be probably located in rue de la Loi 56 as of 1 December 2006, subject to an agreement with OIB (Office Infrastructures et logistiques-Bruxelles) to be signed by the Agency.

10. Presentation of a possible logo

Three dummies were presented: the two sent with the Agenda and a third presented by Mr Pott in the meeting. The Board was invited to choose one dummy through a vote. One was chosen as a model (see annex), but DG FISH should verify if it would be compatible as regards to the rules relating to the display of the EU stars.

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- (a) The Chair will inform members of the date when the Executive Director will take up his duties;
- (b) The Board gave a mandate to the Chair to submit a proposal on the establishing of a committee which would deal with financial matters;
- (c) Members were invited to inform the Chair of the points they would like to discuss with the Executive Director, in particular with respect to 2007 work programme;
- (d) The Chair and his Deputy will soon meet the Executive Director in Brussels with a view to examining with him what initiatives should be taken.

12. Next meetings

The Board will be convened in September. The following points will be on the agenda :

- Presentation from the Executive Director of his work programme and the draft organisation chart of the Agency (with special attention to the regional dimension of the Agency's activity);
- Financial rules;
- Logo;
- Rules on transparency.

The Board will be convened also before the end of October for the adoption of the 2007 work programme.

Encl: - List of attendance
- Logo of CFCA

(Minutes adopted by the Administrative Board at its meeting on 27 September 2006)

**2ND MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE COMMUNITY FISHERIES CONTROL
AGENCY – 14-15 JUNE 2006
LIST OF ATTENDANCE**

Member States	Representative
Belgium	Mr Johnny Demaiter
Czech Republic	Mr Jiri Pondelicek
Denmark	Mr Mik Jensen
Germany	Mr Hermann Pott
Estonia	Mr Tarvo Roose
Greece	Mr Konstantinos Vourlias
Spain	Mr D. Fernando Curcio Ruigómez
	Mr José Navarro Garcia
Ireland	Mr Cecil Beamish
Italy	Mr Pasquale Giannella
Cyprus	Mr Loizos Loizides
Lithuania	Mr Genadijus Babcionis
Hungary	Mr Károly Pintér
Malta	Mr. John Brincat
Netherlands	Mr Ger de Peuter
Austria	Mr Friedrich Huemer
Poland	Mr Jaroslaw Koscielny
Portugal	Mr Eurico Monteiro
Slovenia	Mr Robert Smoje
	Mr Igor Simsic
Slovak Republic	Mrs Helena Lettrichova
Finland	Mr Markku Aro

Sweden	Mrs Marie Ingerup
United Kingdom	Mr Nigel Gooding
	Mr Cephas A. Ralph
President	Mr Marcelo Vasconcelos
Commission	Mr Alain Laurec
Commission	Mr Willem Brugge
Commission	Mrs Valérie Lainé
Commission	Mr Ernesto Penas Lado
Commission	Mr Raoul Prado
Secrétariat	Mr Giorgio Gallizioli
Secrétariat	Mrs Guadalupe Rodriguez Barrero