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COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2025/1722

of 31 July 2025

establishing a fisheries closure for bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45° W, and Mediterranean for vessels flying the flag of or registered in Greece

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION.

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006 (1), and in particular Article 36(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202 (2) lays down quotas for 2025.
- (2) According to the information received by the Commission, catches of the stock of bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45° W, and Mediterranean by vessels flying the flag of or registered in a Greece have exhausted that quota for 2025.
- (3) It is therefore necessary to prohibit certain fishing activities for that stock,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Quota exhaustion

The fishing quota allocated to Greece for 2025 for the stock of bluefin tuna in the Atlantic Ocean, east of 45° W, and Mediterranean referred to in the Annex shall be deemed to be exhausted from the date set out in that Annex.

Article 2

Prohibitions

Fishing activities for the stock referred to in Article 1 by vessels flying the flag of or registered in Greece shall be prohibited from the date set out in the Annex. In particular it shall be prohibited to retain on board, relocate, tranship or land fish from that stock caught by those vessels after that date.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Council Regulation (EU) 2025/202 of 30 January 2025 fixing for 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters, and amending Regulation (EU) 2024/257 as regards fishing opportunities for 2025 (OJ L, 2025/202, 31.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/202/oj).

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Article 3

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.

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

Done at Brussels, 31 July 2025.

For the Commission, On behalf of the President, Dubravka ŠUICA Member of the Commission

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ANNEX

No	06/TQ202
Member State	Greece
Stock	BFT/AE45WM (including special conditions BFT/*641, BFT/*643, BFT/*8301, BFT/*8302, BFT/*8303F)
Species	Bluefin tuna (Thunnus thynnus)
Zone	Atlantic Ocean, east of 45° W, and Mediterranean
Closing date	6.6.2025