

EEC Obtains Fishing Rights; Offers Assistance
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[Text] Mozambique has allowed vessels from the European Community, EEC, to catch about 20,000 tons of fish and shellfish per year in Mozambican waters.

An agreement to this effect was formalized in Maputo yesterday. It specifies the legal basis for EEC vessels catching species of fish and shellfish, including tunafish, lobsters, prawns, and crabs. The number of fishing boats to be involved is about 40.

The agreement also covers EEC assistance to the Mozambican fishing industry. The EEC will provide some \$27.5 million for the purchase and installation of equipment needed to research Mozambique fishery resources. In addition, Mozambique will also receive \$7.7 million for fishery development projects.