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**OECD study on "Fisheries market liberalisation"
Information on Community tariffs (main tariff regimes).**

**Footnote for table "EUROPEAN UNION'S 2001 DUTY RATES FOR THE MOST
IMPORTANT GROUPS OF THIRD COUNTRIES"**

"The above table has been compiled by the Fisheries Directorate General of the European Commission. It is provided for information purposes only.

The objective is to illustrate the tariff structure of some of the most significant tariff regimes of the European Communities. The table does not necessarily reflect the exact duty rate applicable for a specific product/country combination within one of the trade regimes covered.

The only source giving detailed information on the Community Customs Tariff is the Integrated Tariff of the Community (TARIC: acronym for "Tarif Intégré de la Communauté"). It is an instrument that was created at the same time as the Combined Nomenclature (CN) by Council Regulation (EEC) 2658/87 (Art. 2). The TARIC contains a nomenclature in all 11 official languages with about 15,000 tariff lines. It shows all third country and preferential duty rates actually applicable as well as all commercial policy measures.

The TARIC information is available to the public through the "EUROPA" web-site at the following address:

http://www.europa.eu.int/comm/taxation_customs/dds/en/tarhome.htm

It provides the user with full, up to date information, on trade measures related to a tariff position per country of origin in the all the EU official languages."