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Report Highlights:

On November 2, 2020, Poland's Ministry of Infrastructure's Department of Fishery was transferred to the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF). MAF will now handle fish marketing, fish trade-related issues, and regulatory oversight of the fish processing industry. The transfer is the result of a broader inter-ministerial reorganization implemented by the Government of Poland beginning on September 30, 2020.

General Information

According to the Council of Ministers' Official Law Paper, published on November 2, 2020, the Ministry of Infrastructure's Department of Fishery was transferred to the MAF. On September 30, 2020, Polish Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki announced that Poland's inter-ministerial will reorganize and streamline several ministries and government directorates. This included phasing out the former Ministry of Maritime Economy and Inland Navigation (MMEIN), which was responsible for fishery issues. Although the former MMEIN was initially shifted to the Ministry of Infrastructure, on November 2, 2020, the Department of Fishery was transferred from the Ministry of Infrastructure to MAF. The remaining part of the MMEIN portfolio remains under the Ministry of Infrastructure.

The Department of Fishery has been Post's primary contact regarding trade and regulatory controls for U.S.-origin fish processed in Poland. A transfer of the Department of Fishery to MAF will centralize contacts for all issues regarding agriculture, forestry, and fish industry under one ministry.

Attachments:

No Attachments.