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STRONG DEMAND TO FUEL TRA FISH EXPORTS IN O2: VASEP

markets including the US, Eu- cent). rope and Asian countries.



Tra fish exports surged nearly 90 percent year-on-year in the first quarter of 2022 and accounted for about 27 percent of the country's total seafood shipments. Most major markets have seen double- or triple It is likely that tra fish exports ports from Vietnam.

By the end of March, exports to the US exceeded over 160 million USD, up 123 percent from a year earlier, according to VASEP. The association attributed the sharp increase to Statistics from the Directorate strong demand for food caused of Fisheries shows that tra fish by record inflation, supply output totalled 350,000 tonnes chain disruptions, and the Rus- in Q1, up 8.8 percent from the sia-Ukraine crisis.

Tra fish sales Europe to reached 46.7 million USD during the period, a year-on-year (Source: Nhandan)

The Vietnam Association of spike of 86.2 percent. The Seafood Exporters and Produc- highest growth was seen in exers (VASEP) has forecast a ports to Belgium (120 perbright future for the tra fish in- cent), followed by Germany dustry this year on the back of (97 percent), the Netherlands strong demand from major (86 percent) and Spain (67 per-

> Shipments to China also bounced back after months of decline due to China's "Zero-COVID" policy. Vietnam exported 183.4 million USD worth of tra fish to China from January to March, up 163 percent year-on-year.

> Malaysia's tra fish imports from Vietnam rose by 138 percent to hit 7.45 million USD by mid-March as a result of recovering demand.

-digit growth in tra fish im- will maintain a high growth rate in the second quarter of this year as it provides an alternative to fill the gap caused by shortages of whitefish, such as cod and pollock, from Russia, VASEP said.

> same period last year, even though farming areas dropped 6 percent./.