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from:	General Secretariat
to	Working Party on Internal and External Fisheries Policy
Subject:	EU/Norway Agreed Record on sandeel

Delegations will find attached a copy of the Agreed Record on the above-mentioned subject that will be dealt with at the Working Party on Internal and External Fisheries Policy on 13 March 2013.

AGREED RECORD OF CONCLUSIONS OF FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND NORWAY FOR 2013

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- A European Union Delegation, headed by Mr John SPENCER, and a Norwegian Delegation, headed by Ms Ann Kristin WESTBERG, consulted on 12 March 2013 on mutual fisheries relations for 2013.
- 2. The Delegations referred to the Agreed Record of Fisheries Consultations between the European Union and Norway for 2013, signed in Clonakilty on 18 January 2013 and, in particular, to paragraph 7.3.1 of that Agreed Record.
- 3. The Delegations took note of the February 2013 advice from ICES for sandeel in Division IIIa (Skagerrak and Kattegat) and Subarea IV (North Sea), which indicated that catches of sandeel in the Dogger Bank area (Sandeel Area 1) for 2013 could be set at a level not exceeding 224,544 tonnes. The EU Delegation stated its intention of establishing a quota for sandeel in those waters for 2013 at that level.
- 4. The EU Delegation agreed to transfer 22,450 tonnes of sandeel to Norway in 2013 to be fished in Sandeel Area 1 in the EU Zone.
- 5. In exchange, the Norway Delegation agreed to transfer to the European Union an additional 1,769 tonnes of Arcto-Norwegian cod and 131 tonnes of Arcto-Norwegian haddock, to be fished in Norwegian waters of ICES Area I and II, as well as 250 tonnes of plaice and 95 tonnes of ling to be fished in Norwegian waters of ICES Area IV (North Sea).

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