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Subject: Council Decision to authorise the Commission to open negotiations on behalf of
the European Union for a new Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement
with the Republic of Cape Verde
- Adoption

Statement by the Commission

The Commission does not consider it necessary that a Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations indicates a substantive legal basis.

Statement by the Netherlands

Following the ex post evaluation of the current protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cape Verde, the Netherlands wishes to express its concern about the level of shark fishing in the waters of the Republic of Cape Verde. It would appear that there is no clear management system in force to provide for the necessary protection of these species. The Netherlands is of the view that the European Union should aim to include measures to protect shark species in a new protocol with the Republic of Cape Verde.
