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¹ Deliberations on Union legislative acts (Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union), other deliberations open to the public and public debates (Article 8 of the Council's Rules of Procedure).

LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

"A" ITEMS

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1185/2003 on the removal of fins of sharks on board vessels (First reading)

= General approach

6719/2/12 REV 2 PECHE 58 ENV 127 CODEC 434

6904/1/12 REV 1 PECHE 62 ENV 152 CODEC 483

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The Council agreed a general approach on the draft directive as set out in doc. 6719/2/12 REV 2.

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4. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Common Fisheries Policy

- Orientation debate

12514/11 PECHE 187 CODEC 1166

7080/12 PECHE 64 CODEC 520

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The Council held an orientation debate on the future discards policy structured on the basis of a Presidency questionnaire and a non-paper. The Council noted the positions of Member States and the Commission on this matter and further took note of the Presidency's intention to have a subsequent orientation debate on regionalisation and on transferable fishing concessions at its session on 26 April 2012.

5. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Common Organisation of the Markets in Fishery and Aquaculture Products

- Orientation debate

12516/11 PECHE 188 CODEC 1167

7081/12 PECHE 65 CODEC 521

+ COR 1

The Council held an orientation debate structured on the basis of a Presidency questionnaire. The Council noted the positions of Member States and the Commission and took further note of the Presidency's intention to prepare for the adoption of a general approach on this file at its session on 12 June 2012.

6. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 and Council Regulation (EC) No 861/2006 and Council Regulation No XXX/2011 on integrated Maritime Policy

- Orientation debate
17870/11 PECHE 368 CADREFIN 162 CODEC 2255
7076/12 PECHE 63 CADREFIN 116 CODEC 519
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The Council held an orientation debate structured on the basis of a Presidency questionnaire. The Council took note of the positions expressed by Member States and the Commission, and in particular of the joint declaration concerning aquaculture by the Czech Republic, Austria, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain (see doc. 7903/12).

8. Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy: Simplification

- Exchange of views
7560/12 AGRI 140 AGRIORG 43 AGRISTR 29 AGRIFIN 41

The Council took note of the comments made by delegations and the Commission on the simplification of the CAP. The Council invited the Commission and the Member States to pursue the simplification process further both at EU and national level.

In this respect, the Council also invited the Commission and the Member States to assess on a regular basis, in the appropriate framework, the progress made on simplification of the CAP reform legislation, and to report back to the Council during the next Presidency, before the adoption of the reform proposals.

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