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from:	General Secretariat
to:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1) / Council
No. Cion prop.:	13713/12 PECHE 339 RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED - COM(2012) 504 final
Subject:	Proposal for a Council Decision on the establishment of the Union position to be adopted in the framework of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA) - Adoption of Council Decision

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On 17 September 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the establishment of the Union position to be adopted in the framework of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA). The SIOFA agreement has recently come into force and hence a formal mandate for the up-coming annual meeting is required.

1. On 19 and 28 September 2012 the Working Party on Internal and External Fisheries Policy reached an agreement on the proposal as set out in doc DS 1603/1/12 REV 1, plus a few further amendments.
2. The Danish, French and Netherlands delegations entered a parliamentary scrutiny reserve.

3. COREPER is invited to confirm the agreement reached at the level of the Working Party and to suggest that the Council at one of its forthcoming sessions:

- Adopt the draft Council Decision as set out in doc. 14404/12 PECHE 376;
  - Decide not to publish the Decision in accordance with Article 17(2)(b) of its Rules of Procedure;
  - Note that the European Parliament will be informed of the adoption of the above-mentioned Decision in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU.
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