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(AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES), held in Luxembourg
on 27 and 28 June 2016

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MEETING ON MONDAY 27 JUNE 2016

"A" ITEMS

LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

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

1. **Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax, as regards the treatment of vouchers**

8741/16 FISC 70 ECOFIN 378

The Council adopted the Council Directive as set out in 8741/16.

2. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 91/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002 on rail transport statistics, as regards the collection of data on goods, passengers and accidents [First reading]**

= Political agreement

10280/16 STATIS 41 TRANS 244 CODEC 892

approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 22.06.2016

The Council confirmed the political agreement as set out in the Annex of 10280/16.

"B" ITEMS

AGRICULTURE

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

7. **Draft Council conclusions on food losses and food waste**

= Adoption

(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)

10225/16 AGRI 336 DEVGEN 130 ENV 424 CLIMA 73

Following the discussion, a revised set of Council conclusions on food losses and food waste was adopted as set out in the Annex to 10730/16.

The Council took note of general comments put forward by some delegations and by the Commission representative, highlighting the political importance of preventing food losses and food waste which has an economic, environmental and social dimension, as well as stressing the need to take action now.

LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

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

- 8. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on organic production and labelling of organic products, amending Regulation (EU) No XXX/XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council [Official controls Regulation] and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 [First reading]**

Interinstitutional file 2014/0100(COD)

= Progress report

The Council took note of the Presidency presentation of the results obtained in the negotiations with the European Parliament during its term.

MEETING ON TUESDAY 28 JUNE 2016

FISHERIES

- 10. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 [First reading]**

Interinstitutional file 2015/0289 (COD)

= General approach

10143/16 PECHE 217 CODEC 868

The Council agreed on a general approach. Delegations endorsed the proposal's ambitions, referring to the Union's role as a key global actor in external fisheries, where it intends to set a benchmark of monitoring, sustainability and transparency. Delegations expressed their expectation that the European Parliament will be able to support these objectives. Some delegations recalled their remaining concerns, which should be further addressed during the legislative procedure. The Commission, while highlighting some areas of particular attention or concern, welcomed the Council's work and agreed to carefully assess any request for further simplification.