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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
Subject:	Draft Council conclusions on Blue Growth - adoption

On 19-20 April 2017, the Presidency organised an Informal meeting on Blue Growth and Ocean Governance in the EU and the Mediterranean, Innovation, and Nautical Tourism. At the meeting, the ministers endorsed the "Valletta Declaration on blue growth". On the basis of this declaration, the Presidency elaborated a set of draft Council conclusions on blue growth, which was examined by the Friends of the Presidency Group (Integrated Maritime Policy) at its meetings on 24 May and 1 June 2017. At the end of its examination, the group reached agreement on the text set out in doc. 9826/17.

The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to confirm the agreement reached in the group and to invite the Council to adopt the draft Council conclusions, as set out in doc. 9826/17, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.