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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	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) (Legislative deliberation) - Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

1. On 11 December 2015, the Commission submitted a proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets¹, repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008². The proposal envisages an overhaul of the authorisations' regime for Union fishing vessels to fish outside Union waters, and for third country vessels to fish inside Union waters.
2. Subsequent to in-depth examination of the proposal by the Working Party on Internal and External Fisheries Policy, the Council agreed on a general approach³ on 28 June 2016.

¹ Cf. doc. 15262/1/15 REV 1 PECHE 481 CODEC 1773.

² Cf. Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 of 29 September 2008 concerning authorisations for fishing activities of Community fishing vessels outside Community waters and the access of third country vessels to Community waters, amending Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 1627/94 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 3317/94, OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 33.

³ Cf. doc. 10143/16 PECHE 217 CODEC 868.

3. On 2 February 2017, the European Parliament adopted its legislative report containing the first reading position ⁴.
4. Between February and early March 2017, the Working Party on Internal and External Fisheries Policy examined the set of amendments contained in the European Parliament's legislative report, and on 8 March 2017 COREPER established a mandate for negotiations with the EP as set out in doc. 6304/2/17 REV 2 PECHE 58 CODEC 211.
5. After informal trilogues held on 27 April, 30 May and 20 June 2017, COREPER was informed that a provisional agreement was reached with the EP.
6. By letter dated 14 July 2017, the Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Fisheries informed the President of COREPER I that, should the Council transmit formally to the European Parliament its position as agreed, subject to legal-linguistic review, it will recommend to the Plenary that the Council's position be accepted without amendments at Parliament's second reading.
7. In view of this, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to confirm the final compromise text, subject to a legal-linguistic review, as set out in doc. 10549/17 PECHE 262 CODEC 1107.

⁴ Cf. doc. 5866/17 PECHE 44 CODEC 141 PE 4.