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"I/A" ITEM NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC)
- Adoption of Council Decision

1. The Commission submitted the above proposal to the Council on 3 February 2014¹.
2. The Working Party on External Fisheries policy examined the proposal on 18 March, 24 and 30 April 2014 and reached an agreement on the text on the basis of a draft Council Decision including negotiating directives².
3. The Netherlands, Swedish and United Kingdom delegations entered scrutiny reserves on the text, notably in relation to point a) under principles in the Annex I.

¹ Cf. doc. 6173/14 PECHE 56 + Add 1

² Cf. doc. 8976/1/14 REV 1 PECHE 203.

4. Consequently, COREPER is invited to confirm the agreement reached at the level of the Working Party and to suggest that the Council, at a forthcoming session,
- adopts the Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) as set out in doc. 9398/14 PECHE XXX
 - decides not to publish the Decision in accordance with Article 17(2)(b) of its Rules of Procedure
 - notes that the European Parliament will be informed in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU, and therefore a paper copy of the Decision including the negotiating directives will be transmitted to the Parliament;
 - enters the statement in the addendum to this note in the minutes of the Council.
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