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**PECHE 272**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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

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Subject: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC)

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1. The Commission submitted the above proposal to the Council on 11 March 2014<sup>1</sup>.
2. The Working Party on External Fisheries policy examined the proposal on 23 May 2014 and reached an agreement on the text on the basis of a draft Council Decision including negotiating directives<sup>2</sup>.
3. 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 with unanimity the Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) as set out in doc. **10124/14 PECHE 273**;

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<sup>1</sup> Cf. doc. 7635/14 + ADD1 PECHE 140.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. doc. 9919/14 PECHE 255.

- 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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