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

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Subject: Recommendation for a COUNCIL DECISION authorising the Commission to open negotiations on behalf of the European Union for the renewal of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community, on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Rule Government of Greenland, on the other hand
- adoption of the Council Decision

1. The European Commission submitted the above recommendation to the Council on 18 June 2014.
2. The ex-post and ex-ante evaluation of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community, on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Rule Government of Greenland, on the other hand, was received on 16 July 2014¹.
3. The Working Party on External Fisheries Policy examined the recommendation on 18 July and 4 September 2014 and reached an agreement on the text on the basis of a draft Council Decision including negotiating directives².

¹ Cf. doc. 11962/14 PECHE 364 + ADD1-3.

² Cf. DS 1320/14.

4. The French and Netherlands delegations entered parliamentary scrutiny reserves.
 5. 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 opening negotiations and adopts the negotiating directives as set out in doc. 12892/14 PECHÉ 406;
 - 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.
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