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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 Republic of Kiribati, on the other hand <i>- Adoption</i>

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**Statement by the Commission**

The Commission does not consider it necessary that a Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations indicates a substantive legal basis.