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¹ Deliberations on Union legislative acts (Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union), other deliberations open to the public and public debates (Article 8 of the Council's Rules of Procedure).

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

(Public debate in accordance with article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedures)

3. Work Programme of the Presidency

- Presentation by the Presidency

The Chair presented the Work Programme of the Latvian Presidency concerning the Agriculture and Fisheries sector.

LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

FISHERIES

4. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council establishing a multiannual plan for the stocks of cod, herring and sprat in the Baltic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005 and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1098/2007 [First reading]

Interinstitutional file: 2014/0285 (COD)

- Presentation by the Commission
- Exchange of views

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The Commission presented to the Council its proposal for a Regulation establishing a multiannual plan for the stocks of cod, herring and sprat in the Baltic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks.

During a subsequent exchange of views, the Council broadly welcomed the Proposal. Many delegations underlined that the result of discussions on this proposal will serve as a precedent for future proposals for multiannual plans. Some delegations expressed concerns as regards elements of the proposal, such as the conformity of some provisions with the legal basis chosen and the scope of the delegation of powers to the Commission.

The Council took note of the Commission representative's presentation and of the interventions made by the delegations.

6. Any other business

Fisheries

(a) Current legislative proposal

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

- **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2187/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 2347/2002 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing (EC) No 1434/98 as regards the landing obligation [First reading]**

Interinstitutional file: 2013/0436 (COD)

- Information from the Presidency and the Commission on the state of play and on implementation of landing obligation

The Presidency informed delegations on the state of play of negotiations with the European Parliament on the proposal for an "omnibus" regulation. Delegations expressed their concerns regarding the current legal uncertainty resulting from conflicting applicable rules in the absence of the "omnibus" regulation. Delegations insisted that an agreement with the European Parliament should not increase the administrative burden for Member States. Delegations supported the way forward presented by the Presidency with the aim of reaching a rapid agreement with the Parliament on this file.

The Council took note of the comments from the Commission representative and the Member States and invited COREPER to continue its work on this file.