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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION authorising the opening of negotiations on behalf of the European Union for a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and protocol with the Republic of The Gambia

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) .../...

of ...

**authorising the opening of negotiations
on behalf of the European Union
for a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and protocol
with the Republic of The Gambia**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43 in conjunction with Article 218 (3) and (4) thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the European Commission,

Whereas negotiations should be opened with a view to concluding a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and protocol with the Republic of The Gambia,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Commission is hereby authorised to open negotiations, on behalf of the European Union, for a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and protocol with the Republic of The Gambia.

Article 2

The negotiations shall be conducted in consultation with the Council Working Party on External Fisheries Policy and in accordance with the negotiating directives set out in the addendum.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Commission.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President
