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

Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a multiannual plan for stocks fished in the Western Waters and adjacent waters, and for fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulations (EU) 2016/1139 and (EU) 2018/973, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007 and (EC) No 1300/2008 **(first reading)**
- Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 23 March 2018 the Commission sent the above proposal¹, based on Article 43(2)TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 19 September 2018².
3. On 12 February 2019 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council³.

¹ 7245/18.

² OJ C 440, 6.12.2018, p. 171.

³ 6208/19.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council
- approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 78/18, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting;
 - order that the statement in the addendum 1 to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting and published in the Official Journal of the European Union together with the legislative act;
 - order that the statements in the addendum 2 to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the President of the European Parliament and the President of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.
