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Subject:	Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol amending the Marrakesh Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization, as regards the Agreement on fisheries subsidies - Request for the consent of the European Parliament

1. On 9 November 2022, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol Amending the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization¹.
2. At its meeting on 18 November 2022, the Trade Policy Committee (Deputies) discussed and endorsed the above-mentioned Commission proposal.
3. In accordance with Article 218(6)(a)(v) TFEU, the Council should first decide on the transmission of the draft decision to the European Parliament in order to obtain its consent.

¹ Doc. 14555/22 + ADD 1

4. In the light of the above, the Permanent Representatives' Committee is therefore invited to recommend that the Council decide, as an "A" item, to forward the draft Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol amending the Marrakesh Agreement establishing the World Trade Organization, as regards the Agreement on fisheries subsidies and the said Protocol, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in documents 14557/22 and 14558/22, to the European Parliament for its consent.
