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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 amending Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 as regards restrictions to the access to Union waters (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 5 July 2021 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 43(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 22 September 2021².
3. On 22 November 2022 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 10417/21 + COR 1 + ADD 1 + ADD 1 COR 1.

² OJ C 517, 22.12.2021, p. 123.

³ 14975/22.

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 56/22, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting, with Ireland voting against;
 - decide that the joint statement of the Commission and the European Parliament and the Commission's statement, as set out in the Addendum 1 to this note, be published in the C series of the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
5. The statements for the minutes of the Council meeting are set out in the Addendum 1 to this note.
6. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

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