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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Conclusions on the fisheries policy package – for a sustainable, resilient and competitive fisheries and aquaculture sector

1. On 21 February 2023, the Commission submitted to the Council a fisheries policy package, containing three communications and one report¹, that aims at improving the sustainability and resilience of the EU's fisheries and aquaculture sector. The four documents complement each other, as they tackle different aspects of the Common Fisheries Policy and propose measures targeted at fisheries and coastal communities, the marine ecosystem, governance and innovation.
2. Following an exchange of views at the AGRIFISH Council on 20 March 2023², the Presidency started working towards Council conclusions on this package.

¹ Docs. ST 6716/23 + COR 1 + ADD 1 REV 1 + COR 1, ST 6690/23 + COR 1, ST 6689/23 + COR 1, ST 6691/23 + COR 1

² Doc. ST 7207/23

3. The Working Party on Fisheries Policy discussed a first draft³ on 20 April and its subsequent revisions on 11 May and 25 May 2023. Delegations submitted written comments throughout the process⁴. The Working Party on Fisheries Policy discussed a final draft⁵ on 15 June 2023 whereafter a preliminary agreement was reached by means of a written consultation on the text as set out in doc. ST 8303/4/23 REV 4, with an additional modification in paragraph 57.
4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to:
- confirm its agreement on the text; and
 - recommend that the Council approves the Council conclusions on the fisheries policy package as set out in doc. ST 10505/23.
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³ Doc. ST 8303/23

⁴ Docs. ST 8612/23 + ADD 1-2, ST 9646/23 + ADD 1, 10006/23 + ADD 1

⁵ Doc. ST 8303/3/23 REV 3