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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
8, 9 and 10 November 2023

I. Adoption of the agenda

15004/1/23 REV 1 OJ CRP1 37
15029/1/23 REV 1 OJ CRP2 37

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex with the exception of item 42.

III. Discussion items II

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Internal Market and Industry

2. Regulation on non-road mobile machinery
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

IC 14703/23

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament and agreed to make the mandate public.

Environment

3. Directive on air quality (recast) 11C 14852/23 + COR 1
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament and agreed to make the mandate public.

Statement by Malta is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

Health

4. Regulation on standards of quality and safety for substances of human origin intended for human application 11C
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 6 November 2023.

Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs

5. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 30 November 2023: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda. The Committee took note of the agenda and agreed to take AOB items requested by Malta, Estonia, France and Germany in public session.

Energy

6. Regulation amending Regulations (EU) No 1227/2011 and (EU) 2019/942 to improve the Union's protection against market manipulation in the wholesale energy market 11C
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 26 October 2023.

Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs

7. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 27 and 28 November 2023: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda. The Committee took note of the agenda and agreed to take all the items on the agenda, other than the adoption of the agenda, the approval of non-legislative A-items, the lunch debate and the AOB item on the work programme of the incoming BE Presidency, in public session.

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Energy

8. Regulation on methane emissions reduction in the energy sector **OC** 14812/23 + ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

9. Regulation on the internal markets for renewable and natural gases and for hydrogen (recast) **OC**
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 7 November 2023.

Internal Market and Industry

10. Regulation on Critical raw materials act **OC** 14475/23 + ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Education, Youth, Culture and Sport

11. Meeting of the Council (Education, Youth, Culture and Sport) on 23 and 24 November 2023:
Preparation

1. Conclusions on the contribution of education and training to strengthening common European values and democratic citizenship 14530/23 + ADD 1
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Statement by Hungary is set out in the ADD 1 to doc. 14530/23.
Statement by Poland is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

2. Council Recommendation on the key enabling factors for successful digital education and training **C** 14531/23
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

3. Council Recommendation on improving the provision of digital skills in education and training ☐ 13601/23 + ADD 1
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Statement by Hungary is set out in the ADD 1 to doc. 13601/23.

Statement by Poland is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

4. Attracting female talent to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) disciplines 14702/23
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

5. Conclusions on women and equality in the field of sport 14242/23+ ADD 1
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Statement by Hungary is set out in the ADD 1 to doc. 14242/23.

Statements by Bulgaria and Poland are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

6. Safe environments in sport 14108/23
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Transport

12. Revision of the Regulation on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (TEN-T) ☐☐ 14558/23 + COR 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Telecommunications

13. Regulation on horizontal cybersecurity requirements for products with digital elements (Cyber Resilience Act) ☐☐
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 8 November 2023.

Employment and Social Policy

14. Directive amending Directives 98/24/EC and 2004/37/EC as regards the limit values for lead and its inorganic compounds and diisocyanates  14814/23
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

104. Directive on improving working conditions in platform work 
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 8 November 2023.

Environment

15. Regulation on shipments of waste  14875/23 + ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Telecommunications

17. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 as regards establishing a framework for a European Digital Identity 
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 8 November 2023.

16. Regulation laying down measures for a high level of public sector interoperability across the Union (Interoperable Europe Act)  14806/1/23 REV 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Energy

105. Regulation amending Regulations (EU) No 1227/2011 and (EU) 2019/942 to improve the Union's protection against market manipulation in the wholesale energy market  15071/23
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Internal Market and Industry

18. Regulation establishing a framework for setting ecodesign requirements for sustainable products and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC 
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 7 November 2023.

Employment and Social Policy

19. Regulation on European statistics on population and housing 
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 8 November 2023.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2023

General Affairs

45. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs/Cohesion) on
30 November 2023: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

46. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 15 November 2023:
Preparation

- a) European electoral law
Policy debate

S 14904/23
10278/2/23 REV 2

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Legislative programming: Commission work programme
2024
Presentation by the Commission
Exchange of views

14470/23
13917/23 + ADD 1

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Preparation of the European Council on 14-15 December
2023: Annotated Draft Agenda
Exchange of views

14743/23

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Rule of Law in Poland / Article 7(1) TEU reasoned
proposal
State of play

16007/17

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- e) Values of the Union in Hungary: Article 7(1) TEU
reasoned proposal
State of play

12266/1/18 REV 1
+ REV 1 COR 1

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- f) Future of Europe
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting. This item will be taken over a ministerial lunch.

- g) EU-UK relations
State of play

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission and the EEAS and prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- h) Council Regulation amending Regulation No 1
determining the languages to be used by the European
Economic Community
State of play

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- i) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and of its any other business item on the outermost regions' conference.

47. Interinstitutional ethics body  14295/23
Agreement in principle 14891/23

The Committee prepared the forthcoming interinstitutional political meeting.

48. 2023 enlargement package
Presentation by the Commission

49. New growth plan for the Western Balkans
Presentation by the Commission

The Committee took note of the two above presentations by the Commission and agreed to revert to these items.

51. Regulation on the transparency and targeting of political
advertising  14878/23
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 6 November 2023. The Committee will revert for confirming the political agreement.

50. Council Decision on the position to be taken in the EU-UK Specialised Committee on the participation in Union programmes
Preparation for the adoption [C] 14964/23
+ ADD 1 REV 1
13719/23 + ADD 1

The Committee agreed to submit this item to the Council for approval as an A item.

52. Accession negotiations with North Macedonia
Approval of a letter 13100/1/23 REV 1

The Committee agreed on the draft letter.

53. Accession negotiations with Albania
Approval of a letter 13099/23

This item was postponed.

Foreign Affairs

54. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade)
on 27 November 2023: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

55. EU-Canada summit (St. John's, 23-24 November 2023)
Orientation debate 14782/2023 R-UE

The Committee took note of the information provided by the cabinet of the President of the European Council, held an orientation debate and agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

56. Sanctions: outreach
State of play

The Committee held an exchange of views with the EU sanctions envoy and agreed to revert to this issue at a forthcoming meeting. The Committee remains seized of the issue.

Economic and Financial Affairs

57. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 9 November 2023: Preparation

a) Economic governance review

i) Regulation on the effective coordination of economic policies and multilateral budgetary surveillance **1C** 8776/23 + ADD 1

ii) Regulation on speeding up and clarifying the implementation of the excessive deficit procedure **SC** 8777/23
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

b) Economic governance review: Directive on requirements for budgetary frameworks of the Member States **C** 8778/23
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

c) Economic recovery in Europe

i) Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility
State of play

ii) Council Implementing Decisions under the Recovery and Resilience Facility **C** 14472/23 + ADD 1
14473/23 + ADD 1
14474/23 + ADD 1
14637/23 + ADD 1
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

58. Conciliation Committee and ECOFIN/Budget Council on 10 November 2023: Preparation

The Committee prepared the Conciliation Committee and the Council meeting.

Justice and Home Affairs

59. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs)
on 4 and 5 December 2023: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda. The Lithuanian delegation requested a new any other business item on the consultation meeting of states bordering Russia and Belarus (Vilnius, 27 October 2023). The Committee approved the attendance of the external guests for the items on the agenda set out in document 14917/23.

60. Pact on Migration and Asylum¹
Progress report



The Committee took note of state of play as regards negotiations with the European Parliament on the Asylum Procedure Regulation, Asylum and Migration Management Regulation, Screening Regulation, Eurodac and the Crisis Regulation and provided guidance on the further negotiations.

¹ Exceptionally, in the presence of the Schengen Associated States

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General Affairs

61. AMLA seat selection procedure
Exchange of views
Guidance for further work

C 14981/23

The Committee held an exchange of views in preparation of the forthcoming political meeting with the European Parliament.

Foreign Affairs

62. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 13 and 14 November 2023: Preparation

- a) Current affairs

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Russian aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and agreed to the participation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine via videoconference.

- c) Armenia/Azerbaijan
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Situation in Israel and the region
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- e) Foreign policy dimension of economic security
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- f) EU support to Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

g) Other items in connection with the Council

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS.

63. EU-Western Balkans ministerial meeting on 13 November 2023
Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS.

IV. Any other business

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None.

COREPER (PART 2)

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Egypt comprehensive partnership

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission.

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Commission's intervention at the EP on EU-US TTC

The Committee took note of the information provided by the French delegation.

Non-discussion items "I"

COREPER (PART 1)

Institutional Affairs

20. Minutes of the Council meetings

Approval



AGRIFISH 18.09.2023

13076/23

+ ADD 1 REV 1

Appointments

21. One alternate member (SE) of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training

Adoption

14122/1/23 REV 1

SOC

22. One member (SK) of the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality

Adoption

14123/23

SOC

23. One alternate member (SK) of the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality

Adoption

14124/1/23 REV 1

SOC

24. One member (RO) of the Management Board of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work

Adoption

14446/23

SOC

25. One member (DK) of the Management Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions

Adoption

14293/23

SOC

26. One alternate member (DK) of the Management Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions

Adoption

14294/23

SOC

27. One member (SE) of the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers

Adoption

14261/23

SOC

28. One member (NL) of the Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work
Adoption 14693/23
SOC

29. One member (BG) of the Advisory Committee for the Coordination of Social Security Systems
Adoption 14602/23
SOC

Other

30. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 16 November 2023
Approval 14596/23
COMPET

31. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (Industry) on 8 November 2023
Approval 14699/23
COMPET

Judicial Affairs

32. Case T-350/23 (Kargins v Commission)
Information note 14784/23
JUR

33. Case T-534/23 (Föreningen Svenskt Landskapsskydd and Others v Council)
Information note 14819/23
JUR

34. Case T-535/23 (CEE Bankwatch Network z.s. and Ökobüro – Allianz der Umweltbewegung v Council)
Information note 14826/23
JUR

EU positions for international negotiations

35. Council decision on the EU position in UNECE (November 2023)
Adoption  14617/23
14620/23 + ADD 1
MI

36. Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF): Union position at the 5th session of the OTIF Ad Hoc Committee on Legal Affairs and International Cooperation
Approval  14667/23
14672/23 + ADD 1
TRANS
Decision to use the written procedure

Statement by the Commission is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

Internal Market and Industry

37. Conclusions on ECA SR No 15/2023 on the “EU’s industrial policy on batteries”
Approval 14869/23
COMPET
38. Regulation on combating late payment in commercial transactions
Decision to consult an institution or body  14868/23
COMPET

Health

39. WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) – Tenth session of the Conference of parties (COP10) (Panama 20-25 November 2023)
Decision to hold a working party in a place other than Brussels  14807/23 + COR 1
SAN

Fisheries

40. Regulation amending various Regulations as regards fisheries control
Adoption of the legislative act  14669/23 + ADD 1
+ ADD 1 COR 1
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Statement by Denmark

“Denmark supports the objective of an effective control that contributes to sustainable fishing and aquaculture activities that create economic, social and employment benefits.

At the same time, Denmark stresses that the use of modern technology in fisheries control should support sustainable management and ensure better regulation, including more flexibility for fishers, for example in their choice and development of gears.

Denmark stresses the necessity of only adopting rules with which fishers may reasonably be capable of complying. Denmark regrets that this objective was not achieved with respect to the rules on margin of tolerance (MOT) for estimates to be recorded in the logbook of catches of small pelagic species and industrial species kept on board fresh and unsorted in bulk. In our opinion, it is the efficient weighing procedures upon landing that ensure a solid quota management, not the estimates in the logbook. Parts of the Danish pelagic fleet has initiated a project with CCTV and fishers’ participating in this project and other initiatives such as the CCTV project in Kattegat to promote the use of modern technology. Denmark finds that they should be able to benefit from more flexibility in the MOT, and regrets that this is not part of the final compromise text.

Furthermore, Denmark finds it unfortunate that our input into the process revising the EU fisheries control system has not been taken sufficiently into account.“

Statement by Estonia

“Estonia finds that the overall aim to collect fishing data electronically is the right direction and improves operational control. Nevertheless, Estonia remains hesitant about some of the aspects of the agreement, questioning specifically on the proportionality of some of the measures.

We find that several provisions that affect control on small-scale fleet will have a disproportionately high resource demand compared to the effect that fleet have on the fish stocks. Estonia firmly believes that even though there are advances in e-governance, technology and AI, administrations will still work with limited resources. Thus, prioritising is clearly necessary in order to be able to tackle the most pressing issues and with that, to safeguard the health of fish stocks. One of such provisions that we find disproportionate is the obligation to start tracking all the vessels, regardless of their size. Our internal experience so far shows that implementing such a measure is not without problems. Solving them is of course possible, but requires resources that could be put to better use in tightening control on segments that have a bigger impact on fish stocks.

In addition to the burden to the administration, some of the new provisions will be difficult for the fishers to implement in their daily practice. We are very worried about the new obligation for the small-scale fleet to submit logbook data before landing. Taken together with the rules on margins of tolerance, it will likely prove highly problematic for the fishers of small vessels (e.g. less than 8 m) to remove the catch from gear, sort it by species and assess the amounts accurately enough, all while still in a small boat.“

Statement by Italy

“La modifica delle norme europee sul sistema dei controlli sulla pesca è nata dalla necessità di semplificazione richiamata nelle conclusioni di un’indagine della Corte dei Conti europea sul Regolamento CE 1224/2009 (c.d. Regolamento Controlli). Secondo l’indagine il Regolamento Controlli era difficile da capire da parte degli operatori e difficile da attuare da parte delle Autorità nazionali di controllo. Nel 2018, la Commissione europea ha presentato la propria proposta di modifica (Documento COM(2018) 368 final) che è sembrata andare nella direzione esattamente contraria.

Sin dalla sua pubblicazione l’Italia ha attivamente partecipato al negoziato facendosi portavoce di numerose proposte di modifica per migliorare il testo e renderlo più comprensibile ed attuabile.

Alcune proposte sono state accolte tuttavia la maggior parte sono state scartate. Tra queste in particolare, L’Italia aveva chiesto di prevedere possibili misure alternative all’installazione delle telecamere a bordo dei pescherecci per il controllo dell’obbligo di sbarco, quale ad esempio l’impiego degli osservatori del controllo. Oppure l’opposizione alle ispezioni sul territorio nazionale da parte di ispettori di altri Stati Membri che va a minare la sovranità dello Stato. Senza dimenticare l’opposizione alle nuove norme sulla pesca ricreativa che creano un carico amministrativo elevatissimo per le Amministrazioni nazionali e alle continue modifiche delle misure relative al margine di tolleranza.

Il testo attuale è sicuramente migliore di quello iniziale ma, per le considerazioni sopra riportate, l’Italia conferma il suo voto contrario.“

Translation

“The revision of the European rules on the system of fisheries controls arose from the need for simplification referred to in the conclusions of a report by the European Court of Auditors into Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (Control Regulation). According to the report, the Controls Regulation was difficult for operators to understand and difficult for national control authorities to implement. In 2018, the European Commission presented its proposal for an amending Regulation (COM (2018) 368 final), which seemed to go in exactly the opposite direction.

Since its publication, Italy has been actively involved in the negotiations and has made numerous proposals for amendments to improve the text and make it more understandable and workable.

Some of the proposals were accepted, but most were rejected.

In particular, Italy called for measures that could be alternatives to installing cameras on board fishing vessels for control of the landing obligation, such as the use of control observers. It also opposed inspections on national territory by inspectors from other Member States, which undermines the sovereignty of the state. Nor should we forget Italy’s opposition to the new rules on recreational fishing, which create a very heavy administrative burden for national administrations and continual changes to margin-of-tolerance measures.

The current text is certainly better than the original text, but for the reasons set out above, Italy confirms its vote against.”

Statement by Austria

“Austria considers the amended control regulation as an important instrument for the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy. Strict traceability requirements are an essential tool in the fight against illegal, unreported and unregulated fisheries. Therefore, Austria regrets that traceability requirements for processed products will only be implemented after a long transition period via a delegated act.”

Statement by Portugal

“Portugal reconhece a importância e necessidade da Revisão do Regime de Controlo das Pescas, que é um instrumento essencial para garantir atividades de pesca e aquicultura sustentáveis a longo prazo.

Portugal entende que, no geral, o compromisso é adequado aos desafios que o setor da pesca atualmente enfrenta e constitui uma melhoria significativa face às medidas existentes. Porém, Portugal lamenta que as novas regras quanto à margem de tolerância (MOT) para capturas de espécies de pequenos pelágicos não sejam adequadas à realidade das atividades da pesca.

Portugal referiu, de forma consistente e durante todo o processo negocial, que estas medidas não são exequíveis para o setor devido às características da pescaria dos pequenos pelágicos.

Neste contexto, atendendo à dificuldade que as novas regras sobre margem de tolerância irão criar para a atividade diária das frotas nacionais, Portugal abstém-se.”

Courtesy translation

“Portugal recognises the importance and necessity of the revision of the fisheries control system, which is an essential tool to ensure that fishing and aquaculture activities are sustainable in the long term.

Portugal is of the opinion that overall the compromise is well matched to the challenges the fisheries sector is currently facing and constitutes a significant improvement compared to the existing measures.

However, Portugal regrets that the new rules on the margin of tolerance for catches of small pelagic species are not suited to the reality of fishing activities.

Throughout the negotiation process, Portugal has consistently pointed out that these measures are not practicable for the sector, given the nature of small pelagic fisheries.

In this context, given the difficulty that the new rules on margin of tolerance will create for the daily activity of national fleets, Portugal abstains.“

Statement by Slovenia

“The revision of the Regulation on the control system of the Common Fisheries Policy is important and necessary in order to achieve a uniform approach to ensuring the control of the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy, thereby preserving the marine environment and the sustainable management of fisheries stocks, particularly taking into account the global changes affecting European fisheries.

Republic of Slovenia welcomes, that the Regulation amending various Regulations regarding fisheries control takes into account the specific characteristics of smaller fishing sectors, small-scale coastal fishing as well as Slovenian fisheries. This is reflected in the proposal as last adopted in the trilogue, which is why Slovenia supports the final compromise text.

However, we remain concerned about the shorter transitional period of only two years for the introduction of electronic systems (electronic logbooks and landing declarations) for vessels between 12 and 15 meters of length, as this might lead to difficulties in implementation and reduced cost efficiency.

We also remain concerned about the additional costs and administrative burdens that the obligatory introduction of digital traceability for fisheries products could bring for operators that are micro and small enterprises.“

Statement by Finland

“Finland considers that effective and cost-effective fisheries control is a necessary and important part of the Common Fisheries Policy, which aims to ensure the sustainability of fish stocks. However, the costs of control must be proportional to the verifiable benefits of control, and the costs must be considered from the perspective of the different types of fishing and groups of fishermen so that control requirements do not become unreasonable for fishermen and the authorities.

Finland welcomes the positive changes made to the Commission's original proposal during the negotiations. However, the result achieved does not correspond to Finland's negotiating objectives and Finland cannot support it. In particular, monitoring obligations for small vessels are unreasonable and unnecessary.

Finland is concerned about the obligations related to the permitted margin of tolerance between the estimated and weighed amounts of catches. It is good that, in the case of unsorted pelagic fisheries, the 10% tolerance can be calculated on a species-by-species basis in proportion to the total catch. However, the use of this derogation should not be jeopardised by excessive control obligations limiting landings to a limited number of ports.

In addition, Finland considers that the control of recreational fishing and the sanctions for infringements go too far. It is particularly difficult to accept that the sale of catch from recreational fishing is considered a serious infringement at a very low threshold.

The outcome of the negotiations does not take sufficient account of the fact that fishing and associated conditions are very different in different sea areas, both commercial and recreational. Finland is very disappointed that an article on regionalisation is not included in the regulation as it is an accepted basic principle of the CFP.“

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| 41. Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision 2014/170/EU, establishing a list of non-cooperating third countries in fighting illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, as regards the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
<i>Adoption</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 5px;">C</div> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 10px;">14183/23
14254/23
PECHE</div> |
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Energy

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| 42. Union for Mediterranean (UfM) Ministerial Declaration on the Mediterranean Grid Code
<i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 10px;">14682/23
ENER</div> |
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The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Environment

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| 43. Commission's intention to enter into negotiations on the Samarkand Declaration on Sand and Dust Storms
<i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 10px;">14653/23
DEVGEN</div> |
| 44. Commission's intention to open discussions on joining a High-level declaration, on behalf of the EU at the 9th MOP ESPOO
<i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 10px;">14876/23
ENV</div> |

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Judicial Affairs

64. Judgment in Case T-335/22 (Tigran Khudaverdyan v. Council - action for annulment)
Information note

14184/23
JUR

Institutional Affairs

65. **Minutes of Council meetings**
Approval



PV CONS

a) GAC 19.09.2023

13223/23 + ADD 1

b) JHA 28.09.2023

13569/23 + ADD 1

Appointments

66. A member (RO) of the European Economic and Social Committee
Adoption

14505/23
14491/23
CES

Other

67. Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on the Staff Regulations on 15 November 2023
Approval

14837/1/23 REV 1
STAT

68. Attendance of a third party at the informal lunch in the margins of the Trade Policy Committee (Full Members) on 16 November 2023
Approval

14800/23
POLCOM

69. Attendance of a third party at the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs (HDG) on 16 and 17 November 2023
Approval

14781/23
CORDROGUE

70. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party for Schengen Matters on 17 November 2023
Approval

14913/23
SCH-EVAL

71. Attendance of a third party at the Military Committee on 22 November 2023
Approval

14899/23
EUMC

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| 72. | Attendance of a third party at the Security Accreditation Board (SAB) on 24 November 2023
<i>Approval</i> | 14611/23
SAB |
| 73. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Frontiers on 24 November 2023
<i>Approval</i> | 14633/23
FRONT |
| 74. | Attendance of third parties at the Justice and Home Affairs Council on 4 and 5 December 2023
<i>Approval</i> | 14917/23
JAI |

Transparency

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| 75. | Public access to documents request 23/2535
<i>Decision to make the results of votes public</i> |  14920/23
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Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 76. | Appointment of a chairperson of the European Statistical Governance Advisory Board (ESGAB)
<i>Approval</i> | 14770/23
14606/23
STATIS |
| 77. | Directive amending the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directives (AIFMD)
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> |   14930/23
14932/23
EF |
| 78. | Conclusions on ECA's special report on EU supervision of banks' credit risk
<i>Approval</i> | 14974/23
14975/23
EF |

General Affairs

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| 79. | European election recess period in 2024 for the transmission of delegated acts and draft measures adopted under the regulatory procedure with scrutiny
<i>Approval of a letter</i> |  14384/23
13316/23
DELACTION |
| 80. | 57th meeting of the EEA Council (Brussels, 20 November 2023)
<i>Establishment of the EU position</i> | 14723/23
EEE |

Justice and Home Affairs

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| 82. | Regulation on the digitalisation of the visa procedure
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 1C | 14501/23
PE-CONS 41/23
VISA |
| 83. | Regulation amending the visa sticker Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 1C | 14502/23
PE-CONS 45/23
VISA |
| 84. | Decision amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 1C | 14500/23
PE-CONS 55/23
PROCIV |
| 85. | Appointment of the Director for the European Union Agency of the Fundamental Rights (FRA)
<i>Procedure in the Council</i> | | 14438/23 + COR 1
FREMP |
| 86. | Agreement with Liechtenstein on supplementary rules in relation to the Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF-BMVI Fund) for the period 2021 to 2027 | C | 13968/23
FRONT |
| | a) Council Decision on the signing
<i>Adoption</i> | | 13932/23
13935/23 |
| | b) Council Decision on the conclusion
<i>Request for the consent of the European Parliament</i> | | 13936/23
13935/23 |

Foreign Affairs

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| 87. | Agreement amending the Agreement with the Kingdom of Norway regarding the modifications of the EU's tariff-rate quotas in the WTO schedule following Brexit | C | 13815/23
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| | a) Council Decision on the signing
<i>Adoption</i> | | 13816/23
13818/23 |
| | b) Council Decision on the conclusion
<i>Request for the consent of the European Parliament</i> | | 13817/23
13818/23 |
| 88. | Joint statement on the launching of the Critical Raw Materials Club
<i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i> | | 14893/23
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| <p>89. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela
<i>Adoption</i>
<i>Decision to use the written procedure</i></p> | <p> 14319/23 + COR 1
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14316/23
14318/23
CORLX</p> |
| <p>A joint statement by Belgium, France, Germany, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Poland, and Sweden is set out in document 14319/23 ADD 1.</p> | |
| <p>90. Council Recommendation assessing the progress made by the participating Member States to fulfil commitments undertaken in the framework of the Permanent Structured Cooperation
<i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>13648/23
13647/23
CORLX</p> |
| <p>91. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
<i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>12423/23 + COR 1
12419/23
12422/23
CORLX</p> |
| <p>92. Restrictive measures to combat terrorism – common position 2001/931/CFSP: pre-notification of updated statement of reasons
<i>Approval</i></p> | <p>14742/23
14774/23
CORLX</p> |
| <p>93. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Haiti
<i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>14861/23
14857/23
14859/23
CORLX</p> |
| <p>94. Council Decision to support a project on the promotion of effective arms export controls
<i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>14581/23
14580/23 + ADD 1
CORLX</p> |
| <p>95. EDA annual report 2023
<i>Information note</i></p> | <p>14885/23
POLMIL</p> |
| <p>96. Council guidelines for EDA's work in 2024
<i>Approval</i></p> | <p>14514/23
14513/23
POLMIL</p> |
| <p>97. Conclusions on space strategy for security and defence
<i>Approval</i></p> | <p>14511/23
14509/23
POLMIL
ESPACE</p> |

EU positions for international negotiations

100. Council Decision on the EU position as regards the positive assessment of the implementation of phases 1 and 2 of Annex XXI-A to the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement and the market access linked thereto
Adoption
- [C] 14752/23
14010/23
+ ADD 1-4
COEST
- A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.
101. Council Decision on the EU position as regards the modification of Annex XXII to the EU-Georgia Association Agreement
Adoption
- [C] 14516/23
14601/23 + ADD 1
COEST
102. Council Decision on the EU position in the EU-UK Specialised Committee on Road Transport as regards adaptation of technical specifications of the smart tachograph 2
Adoption
- [C] 14496/23
14230/23 + ADD 1
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103. Council Decision on the EU position in the Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport as regards the proposal to amend the Terms of Reference of the Working Party
Adoption
- [C] 14608/23
14203/23 + ADD1
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Institutional Affairs

Other

106. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of RELEX/Sanctions formation on 15 November 2023
Approval
- 15123/23
CORLX

Foreign Affairs

98. Advanced Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Chile
- [C] 14822/23 + ADD 1
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- a) Council Decision on the signing
Adoption
- 11665/23
11670/23
+ ADD 1-2
- b) Council Decision on the conclusion
Request for the consent of the European Parliament
- 11669/23
11670/23
+ ADD 1-2

Statements by Germany, France and Belgium are set out in documents 14822/23 ADD 1-3.

107. Commission's intention to enter into negotiations with the
OACPS for a Joint Declaration with a view to COP 28
Authorisation to negotiate an NBI

15150/23
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-  First reading
 -  Special legislative procedure
 -  Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
 -  Item based on a Commission proposal

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