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### WRITTEN PROCEDURE

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Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 508/2014 and (EU) No 1379/2013 as regards specific measures to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak in the fishery and aquaculture sector [2020/0059 (COD)]

Outcome of the written procedure initiated by CM 2044/20:

- Adoption of the legislative act, and
  - Derogation from the 8-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national Parliaments in the EU
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Delegations are informed that the written procedure, opened by CM 2044/20 of 20 April 2020 was completed on 22 April 2020 at 10:00 and that all delegations voted in favour of:

1. the adoption of the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EU) No 508/2014 and (EU) No 1379/2013 as regards specific measures to mitigate the impact of the COVID- 19 outbreak in the fishery and aquaculture sector, as set out in PE-CONS 9/20;

2. the derogation, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article.

The Commission indicated that it did not agree with the adoption of the Regulation. The required unanimity has been reached. Therefore, the above Regulation is adopted.

The Council agreed to derogate, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article.

The statements by Sweden and by the Commission are reproduced in the Annex to this CM. As announced, the Commission statement may be published in the OJ C series.

The above statements will be included in the summary of acts adopted by the written procedure as statements to be entered in the Council minutes, in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

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**Statement by Sweden**

Sverige är principiellt emot lagringsstöd och att öronmärkta medel från datainsamling och kontroll tillgängliggörs för andra åtgärder, men Sverige kan acceptera det som undantag givet de exceptionella omständigheterna. Sverige anser att principen bör vara att dessa åtgärder inte förlängs efter december 2020.

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**Statement by the Commission**

The Commission welcomes the swift adoption by the European Parliament and Council of its proposal to modify the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak and help our fishermen and –women and aquaculture producers.

The Commission wishes to underline that fisheries control and the collection of scientific data are of great importance for the sustainable management of fish stocks on the basis of the best available scientific advice and reliable enforcement. The reduction of financial resources thereto should not lead to deterioration of the outcome of these essential elements of the Common Fisheries Policy.

The Commission wishes to stress that its proposal, as well as the amendments made to it, address the unique crisis situation caused by the COVID-19 outbreak and the exceptional and immediate need for support to address the consequences of that outbreak. They cannot prejudge the future Regulation on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund.

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