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Delegations will find attached the opinion of the Consultative Working Party of Legal Services regarding the above mentioned subject.



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OPINION

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
THE COUNCIL
THE COMMISSION

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the minimum level of training of seafarers (codification)
COM(2020) 739 final of 18.11.2020 - 2020/0329 (COD)

Having regard to the Interinstitutional Agreement of 20 December 1994 on an accelerated working method for official codification of legislative texts, and in particular to point 4 thereof, the Consultative Working Party consisting of the respective legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission met on 2 December 2021 for the purpose of further examining, following up to the previous meetings held on 15 December 2020 and 14 January 2021, the aforementioned proposal submitted by the Commission.

At that meeting¹, an examination of the proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council codifying Directive 2008/106/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on the minimum level of training of seafarers resulted in the Consultative Working Party's establishing, by common accord, that, in addition to points 1, 2 and 3 of the Consultative Working Party's opinion dated 31 March 2021, a further adaptation is also considered appropriate with regard to the draft codified text.

As was suggested by the rapporteur of the Legal Affairs Committee of the European Parliament, recital 16 of Directive (EU) 2019/1159 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 amending Directive 2008/106/EC on the minimum level of training of seafarers should be inserted into the preamble to the codified act. The following recitals should be renumbered accordingly.

In consequence, examination of the proposal has enabled the Consultative Working Party to conclude, without dissent, that the proposal is a straightforward codification of existing texts, without any change in their substance.


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¹ The Consultative Working Party worked on the basis of the English language version of the proposal, being the master-copy language version of the text under discussion.