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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
То:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directives 2008/94/EC, 2009/38/EC and 2002/14/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, and Council Directives 98/59/EC and 2001/23/EC as regards seafarers (first reading) Adoption of the legislative act (LA + S)

- On 19 November 2013 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 153(2) of the 1. TFEU, to the Council.
- The Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 25 March 2014^2 . The 2. Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 3 April 2014³.
- 3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 8 July 2015. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council⁴.

¹ 16472/13.

² OJ C 226, 16.7.2014, p. 35.

³ OJ C 174, 7.6.2014, p. 50.

⁴ 10712/15.

- 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 33/15 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the Maltese delegation abstaining;
 - order that the statements in <u>the addendum</u> to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

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