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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 (first reading) - Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons

1. On 11 December 2015 the Commission sent the above proposal¹, based on Article 43(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 25 May 2016².
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on 2 February 2017³.
4. At its 3560th meeting on 25 September 2017, the General Affairs Council reached a political agreement on the Council's position at first reading on the above Regulation⁴.

¹ 15262/15.

² OJ C 303, 19.8.2016, p. 116.

³ 5866/17.

⁴ In accordance with the letter of 14 July 2017 sent by the Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Fisheries to the Chair of Coreper, the European Parliament should, at second reading, approve the Council's position at first reading without amendment.

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is asked to suggest that the Council adopt its position at first reading, as set out in 11382/17, and the statement of reasons, as set out in 11382/17 ADD 1, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.
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