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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1257/2013 and Directives 94/63/EC and 2009/31/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directives 86/278/EEC and 87/217/EEC as regards procedural rules in the field of environmental reporting and repealing Council Directive 91/692/EEC (**first reading**)

- Adoption of the legislative act
- Statement

Statement by the Czech Republic, Lithuania, Belgium and Hungary

The Czech Republic, Lithuania, Belgium and Hungary would like to raise a concern about the procedure applied regarding Article 4 of the Decision concerning the **Ship Recycling Regulation**. The proposed change in reporting obligations constitutes an extension of reporting obligations placed on Member States and goes beyond the necessary amendments arising from the repeal of Directive 91/692/EEC. This amendment is therefore a change in substance rather than a technical adjustment.

A Ship Recycling Regulation Committee was established according to Article 25 of the Ship Recycling Regulation to assist the Commission. However, the Committee was neither notified of the proposal nor consulted on the proposed change.

We regret that the Commission did not consult the designated experts on this matter and hopes that in the future such technical issues will be referred to the relevant committees.
