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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2019/833 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation - <i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i>

1. The Commission issued the proposal¹ on 16 February 2022, with the aim of transposing into EU law the conservation and enforcement measures decided on by the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) at its 2021 annual meeting.
2. The Commission presented the proposal to the Working Party on Fisheries Policy on 10 March. DK entered a parliamentary scrutiny reservation, which was later lifted. A deadline for written comments expired on 25 March without any amendments to the text being requested. On 5 April, the Counsellors/Attachés (Fisheries Policy) found that the proposal met broad support without amendments; this was confirmed on 6 April via a written consultation.
3. On 13 April 2022, the Permanent Representatives Committee confirmed its support for the Commission's proposal, with a view to reaching a timely agreement with the European Parliament.
4. On 20 June 2022, the European Parliament's PECH committee approved the Parliament's draft position at first reading, also without any amendments to the Commission's proposal.

¹ Doc. 6272/22.

5. In view of this, the Permanent Representatives Committee is called on to:

- confirm that should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading on the regulation as proposed by the Commission (doc. 6272/22), subject to revision by the lawyer-linguists of both institutions, the Council would approve the Parliament's position and the act would be adopted in the wording that corresponds to the Parliament's position;
- to that end, authorise the Presidency to send a letter to the Chair of the PECH committee.
