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## **'I' ITEM NOTE**

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
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Subject:	COUNCIL DECISION concerning the position to be taken on behalf of the Union in the annual consultations with the United Kingdom to agree total allowable catches
	<ul> <li>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</li> </ul>

## **Commission statement**

The Commission considers that the Council Decision should be addressed to the Commission, and therefore considers the changes to Article 4 to be inappropriate.

The expression of the Union position in a body set up by an agreement is an act of external representation of the Union which, in accordance with Article 17(1) TEU, is the institutional prerogative of the Commission.

The Commission reserves all its rights in this regard.

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