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	- Preparation of the trilogues

Delegations will find attached written comments by the German delegation on the abovementioned document.

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Position of Germany on the trilogue on 14 November 2019

We welcome the negotiating strategy proposed by the Presidency. We support the Presidency's position of defending the General Approach in principle. That should also be made clear for all articles.

We consider it important to avoid the fleet measures leading to an increase in capacity, also in view of the ongoing WTO negotiations on cutting certain fisheries subsidies in order to achieve Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 14.6.

We can endorse the draft Council mandate in principle. The following point is not acceptable:

Article 9(5)

The General Approach should be adhered to on this issue. Involving the ACs is not advisable.