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### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Recommendation for a COUNCIL DECISION authorising the opening of the negotiations on behalf of the European Union for the conclusion of an Implementing Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cabo Verde

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1. The European Commission submitted the above recommendation to the Council on 13 November 2023<sup>1</sup>.
2. The Working Party on Fisheries Policy examined the recommendation at its meeting on 16 November 2023. The Presidency compromise<sup>2</sup> was examined in the fisheries' attachés meeting on 23 November and approved in the Working Party on 30 November 2023.
3. Consequently, COREPER is invited to confirm the agreement reached at the level of the Working Party and to suggest that the Council, at a forthcoming session:
  - adopts the Decision authorising the opening of negotiations as set out in document 15480/23 (as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts), and agrees on the negotiating directives as set out in doc. 16275/23;
  - decides not to publish the Decision in accordance with Article 17(2)(b) of its Rules of Procedure;

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<sup>1</sup> Docs. 15268/23 + ADD 1. The evaluation of the EU-Cabo Verde Implementing Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement was also received on 13 November 2023 (cf. docs. 15268/23 ADD 2 COR 1 + ADD 3).  
<sup>2</sup> Doc. 15586/23

- notes that the European Parliament will be informed in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU, and therefore a paper copy of the Decision including the negotiating directives will be transmitted to the Parliament; and
  - enters the statement in the Addendum to this note in the minutes of the Council.
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