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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)

Subject: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) 2016/1139, (EU) 2018/973 and (EU) 2019/472 as regards the targets for fixing fishing opportunities
- Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

1. The European Commission adopted the abovementioned proposal on 6 December 2023 and submitted it to the European Parliament and to the Council¹. The proposal aims at amending three regulations of the European Parliament and the Council establishing multiannual plans for various fish stocks in different sea basins. The proposed amendments intend to correct an inconsistency in those regulations concerning the targets for fixing fishing opportunities.
2. The Working Party on Fisheries Policy examined the proposal on 7 December 2022. On 18 December 2023 the members of the Working Party, meeting in a videoconference, examined a Presidency compromise² that suggested a few changes to the Commission proposal with a view to further clarify the text. On the same day, the Working Party accepted that Presidency compromise in a written consultation.
3. DK and NL entered parliamentary scrutiny reservations.
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to:

¹ doc. 16466/23

² doc. 16718/23

- confirm the agreement reached at the level of the Working Party on Fisheries Policy and to endorse a mandate with a view to starting negotiations with the European Parliament on the abovementioned proposal;
 - authorise the Presidency to request to the European Parliament the use of the urgent procedure in order to allow a swift adoption of the regulation.
5. In accordance with the approach to legislative transparency endorsed by Coreper on 14 July 2020 (doc. 9493/20), and in full consistency with Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 and the Council's Rules of Procedure, the mandate thus agreed will be made public.