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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../... of 14.12.2023 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards specific hygiene requirements for certain meat, fishery products, dairy products and eggs - Delegated Act - Intention not to raise objections

Delegations will find in Annex the statement of Poland on the above.

Poland supports most of the provisions set out in the document, but opposes the changes concerning the superchilling of fishery products (amendment to Annex III, Section VIII, Chapter VII to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004). Amending the rules in this regard will have negative economic consequences for Polish fish processors which use the technological process of ‘stiffening’, i.e. the superchilling of processed smoked fishery products for slicing. Poland submitted studies confirming the safety of the technology used, but the Commission refused to submit them to EFSA for assessment. The Commission has not provided for any transitional period to allow processing plants to adapt to the new rules, as requested by the Polish authorities and the processing industry. Poland therefore objects to the Regulation.
