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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Proposition de Règlement du Parlement européen et du Conseil modifiant le règlement (UE) n° 1380/2013 du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 11 décembre 2013 en ce qui concerne les restrictions d'accès aux eaux de l'Union <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Déclaration de la Croatie

Statement of Croatia

regarding the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013, as regards restrictions to the access to Union waters

Croatia can agree with the proposal of the Regulation, in a compromise text as presented by the Council Presidency for negotiations with the European Parliament (6848/1/22 REV 1), including footnotes to point (7) - Coastal waters of Croatia, and point (9) - Coastal waters of Slovenia, of Annex I to the proposed Regulation, which, in the spirit of compromise, remain identical to the footnotes contained in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 currently in force. This is without prejudice to the Croatian position that the conditions for the application of this reciprocal regime between Croatia and Slovenia should be fully met upon definitive settlement of the border between them, consistent with international law and by using all possible peaceful means of settlement.¹

¹ Judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union of 31 January 2020, Slovenia v Croatia, C-457/18, ECLI:EU:C:2020:65.