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To: Delegations

Subject: 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

- Statement by the Commission and the European Parliament

Delegations will find in Annex a Statement by the Commission and the European Parliament, as transmitted by the European Commission following legal-linguistic revision and internal Commission validation. It is still subject to validation by the European Parliament.

Statement by the Commission and the European Parliament

The Commission and the European Parliament take note of the situation of fisheries in the Channel and the concerns raised by local and regional fisheries stakeholders, including fishers, regarding the use of demersal seines by numerous vessels.

The Commission and the European Parliament encourage close cooperation between those stakeholders and initiatives from them and invite Member States to follow-up, where relevant, with the submission of joint recommendations. The Commission will follow-up with measures, where appropriate, including technical measures, based on consultations of stakeholders and an assessment by the relevant scientific bodies including an assessment of socio-economic impacts. In this regard, the Commission will ensure that funding is available for scientific research and advice.
