Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on the 'Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy'

On 14 June and 15 June 2012, the European Parliament and the Council respectively decided to consult the European Economic and Social Committee, under Article 43 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, on the

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COM(2012) 277 final — 2012/0143 (COD).

Since the Committee endorses the contents of the proposal, it decided at its 483rd plenary session of 18 and 19 September 2012 (meeting of 18 September 2012), by 148 votes with 8 abstentions, to issue an opinion endorsing the proposed text.

Brussels, 18 September 2012.

The President of the European Economic and Social Committee Staffan NILSSON