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ANNEX 2

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to the

Proposal for a Council Decision

**on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the Port State
Control Committee of the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control**

ANNEX II

Year-to-year specification of the position to be taken on behalf of the Union in the Port State Control Committee of the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control

Before each annual Port State Control Committee ('PSCC') meeting of the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control, the necessary steps shall be taken so that the position to be taken on behalf of the Union takes account of all relevant information transmitted to the Commission as well as any document to be discussed which falls within Union competence in accordance with the guiding principles and orientations set out in Annex I.

To this effect and based on that information, a preparatory document setting out the particulars of the envisaged position shall be transmitted by the Commission's services, in sufficient time before the PSCC meeting, to the Council or to its preparatory bodies for consideration and approval.

The position to be taken on behalf of the Union envisaged in the preparatory document shall be deemed to be agreed, unless a number of Member States equivalent to a blocking minority objects during a meeting of the Council's preparatory body or within twenty days from receipt of the preparatory document, whichever occurs earlier. In case of such objection, the matter shall be referred to the Council.