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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 17 March 2008, the Council approved, by Regulation (EC) No 241/2008<sup>(1)</sup>, the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau ('the Agreement').
- (2) A new Protocol to the Agreement was initialled on 10 February 2012 ('the Protocol'). The Protocol grants Union vessels fishing opportunities in waters in which the Republic of Guinea-Bissau exercises its sovereignty or jurisdiction with regard to fishing.
- (3) On 16 October 2014 the Council adopted Decision 2014/782/EU<sup>(2)</sup>, on the signing and provisional application of the Protocol.
- (4) The method for allocating the fishing opportunities among the Member States should be defined for the period of application of the Protocol.
- (5) If it appears that the fishing opportunities allocated to the Union under the Protocol are not fully utilised, the Commission is to inform the Member States concerned in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008<sup>(3)</sup>. The absence of a reply within the deadline to be set by the Council is considered as confirmation that the vessels of the Member State concerned are not making full use of their fishing opportunities in the given period concerned. That deadline should be set.
- (6) To ensure the continuity of the fishing activities of Union vessels, the Protocol provides for its application by the parties on a provisional basis from the date of its signature. This Regulation should therefore apply from the date of signing of the Protocol,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 241/2008 of 17 March 2008 on the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau ([OJ L 75, 18.3.2008, p. 49](#)).
- (2) See page 1 of this Official Journal.
- (3) Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008 of 29 September 2008 concerning authorisations for fishing activities of Community fishing vessels outside Community waters and the access of third country vessels to Community waters, amending Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 1627/94 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 3317/94 ([OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 33](#)).