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Command Paper No: CP 871 (2023)

Protocol to amend the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas

1. The Protocol referred to above has been presented for laying before both Houses of Parliament by Command of His Majesty on 12 July 2023.
2. The Protocol is subject to Section 24 of Part 2 of the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010 and is required to be laid before Parliament for 21 sitting days before ratification. It is accompanied by an Explanatory Memorandum laid as an unnumbered Act Paper.
3. The lead policy department is the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). The lead policy contact is Scarlett Milner-Stopps, International Fisheries – Tuna RFMOs, Marine and Fisheries Directorate, DEFRA. Scarlett can be contacted by e-mail: Scarlett.Milner-Stopps@defra.gov.uk.
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4. We will ensure that a copy is forwarded to any other relevant Select Committee.

Yours faithfully

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