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**Nicolás González Casares** European protein strategy

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## Amendment 1 Martin Hlaváček

## Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Calls on the Commission to *recognise, in the* European protein strategy, the strategic role of the fisheries and aquaculture sectors as suppliers of *marine-derived* protein of the highest quality with one of the lowest carbon footprints;

Amendment 2 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission to *ensure that the upcoming* European Protein Strategy *recognises* the strategic role of the fisheries and aquaculture sectors as suppliers of *aquatic* protein of the highest quality with one of the lowest carbon footprints;

Or. en

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1 a. Recalls that the good health of marine resources such as fish stocks, and by extension the supply of marine proteins, depends on the good condition of marine ecosystems;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

1 b. Notes that EU consumption of fish and shellfish in 2021 amounted to 10,41 million tonnes while EU export amounted to 2,56 million tonnes and EU imports to 6,15 million tonnes; notes that in 2021

consumption of fish and seafood products at home increased by 7% compared to 2020;

Or. en

Amendment 4 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

#### **Amendment**

Highlights that fisheries and 1 c. aquaculture products have a low carbon footprint; believes that the fisheries and aquaculture sectors can represent real assets to tackle the climate crisis and to provide healthy food for a growing global population; indicates the strategic value of aquatic foods to reach the objectives of the European Green Deal and to contribute to several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) such as SDG 2 "Zero hunger", SDG 3 "Good health and well-being", SDG 12 "Responsible consumption and production", SDG 13 "Climate action" and SDG 14 "Life below water";

Or. en

Amendment 5 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 d (new)

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1 d. Notes that WHO considers that fish with unsaturated fats constitute a good source of protein and fat in a healthy diet; considers that consumers are more conscious of the food that they

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## Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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2. Highlights the central role of fisheries and *fishery* products in ensuring food security and in any nutritional strategy based on healthy and high-quality protein; considers it therefore necessary to strengthen the competitiveness of the European fisheries and aquaculture sectors as suppliers of the highest quality food with the best sustainability standards worldwide in order to reduce the EU's growing dependence on imports;

#### Amendment

2. Highlights the central role of fisheries and *aquaculture and their* products in ensuring food security and in any nutritional strategy based on healthy and high-quality protein; considers it therefore necessary to strengthen the competitiveness of the European fisheries and aquaculture sectors as suppliers of the highest quality food with the best sustainability standards worldwide in order to reduce the EU's growing dependence on imports;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

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2 a. Reiterates its concerns in relation to unsustainable fishmeal and fish oil as expressed in its resolution on Striving for a sustainable and competitive EU Aquaculture; underlines that some feed production practices like producing fish meal can have a severe impact on stocks and ultimately jeopardize food security, notably in some countries in Africa; recalls that fish meal production must be sustainable and shall primarily come from fisheries products that is not primarily

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### used for human consumption;

Or. en

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Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

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2 b. Is of the opinion that high sustainability standards equal to those put on EU-products should be demanded from protein products imported to the internal market to prevent that high sustainability standards on the European sector leads to production being shifted to 3<sup>rd</sup> countries, undermining our sustainability efforts and the level playing field for EU producers;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 c (new)

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2 c. Stresses that 3.3 billion people in the world rely up to 20% on fisheries and aquaculture products for their animal protein intake and that in some coastal states and small island developing States these products contribute to half or more of total animal protein intake; insists that the implementation of sustainable fisheries partnership agreements (SFPAs) must be in line with the best scientific advice available to ensure sustainable fishing operations that only utilise the surplus allowable catch in the partner country and that sectoral support should

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contribute to the sustainable development of the fisheries sector, notably via support for small-scale fisheries, while also strengthening local food security and local communities;

Or. en

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Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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3. Highlights the efforts *of* the European fishing sector to improve the state of stocks at EU level; emphasises, in this regard, the need for *continued* efforts as this sector plays an essential role in ensuring European food *sovereignty*;

#### **Amendment**

3. Highlights the efforts already made by the European fishing sector to improve the state of stocks at EU level; emphasises, in this regard, the need for continues efforts as this sector plays an essential role in ensuring European food security; underlines that such efforts shall be accompanied, as the fishing sector shall not bear alone the cost of the transition towards a more sustainable fishery;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

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#### Amendment

3 a. Points out the potential that innovation and new business can bring in terms of new feeds with lower carbon footprint and lower impact on biodiversity such as insects and algae; calls on the Commission to come forward with legislative proposals that will help to address the increasing food price crisis in the EU whiles stimulating development of

### new innovative production techniques

Or. en

## Amendment 12 Martin Hlaváček

# Draft opinion Paragraph 4

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4. Calls on the Commission and *the* Member States to increase the role of fishery and aquaculture products in their nutritional policies and programmes, in particular by promoting their consumption among specific groups, such as young people, or in programmes aimed at tackling specific nutritional deficiencies;

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4. Calls on the Commission and Member States to increase the role of *local* fishery and aquaculture products in their nutritional policies and programmes, in particular by promoting their consumption among specific groups, such as young people, or in programmes aimed at tackling specific nutritional deficiencies;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

4 a. Reiterates its demands in its resolution on a Striving for a sustainable and competitive EU aquaculture: the way forward in relation to creating a business friendly regulatory environment including simplified permitting procedures and a regulatory framework that supports the development of sustainable aquaculture;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Martin Hlaváček

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## Draft opinion Paragraph 4 b (new)

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4 b. Reiterates its calls made in its opinion on a Farm to Fork Strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system in relation to making more information available to the consumer on the environmental impact of different food products, including proteins as well as information on its production;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Martin Hlaváček

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

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6. Welcomes the Commission communication of 15 November 2022 entitled 'Towards a Strong and Sustainable EU Algae Sector'<sup>2</sup>; points out that algae and microalgae can represent an important complementary source of protein in sustainable food production and global food security and calls on the Commission to include this untapped potential in the European protein strategy.

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6. Believes that the Commission should build the upcoming European Protein Strategy on initiatives such as the Commission communication of 15 November 2022 entitled "Towards a Strong and Sustainable EU Algae Sector"; points out that algae and microalgae can represent an important complementary source of protein in sustainable food production and global food security.

Or. en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> COM(2022)0592.

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