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The Director-General

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Subject: Consultation on the possible utilisation by the EU of trade-related measures against non-cooperating states for the purpose of conservation of fish resources

Dear Mr McSween,

Thank you for your letter of 16 May transmitting the response of the Pelagic RAC to the consultation paper on possible trade-related measures against non-cooperating countries for the purpose of conservation of fish resources.

Your contribution to this exercise has been very useful and has allowed us to make progress on the Impact Assessment that we are preparing. Attached you will find a thorough analysis of the responses received from other stakeholders and from Member States' authorities. I trust you will agree with me that the results of the consultation are very supportive of the position of the Commission.

I have also asked my colleagues to send you a copy of the Impact Assessment report as soon as it is approved.

Please transmit my thanks to all members of the Pelagic RAC.

Yours sincerely,

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