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Subject: Correction to fishing opportunities 2016

Dear Mr Aguiar Machado,

It has come to our attention that in the Pelagic AC's recommendation on fishing opportunities 2016 (reference 1516/PAC 10) submitted to you on 12 October 2015 there has been an error regarding the recommended TACs for Celtic Sea herring in 2015 and 2016.

It has been a longstanding tradition for the Pelagic AC to recommend following the management plan developed for this stock. However, the figures presented in the above mentioned document correspond to MSY instead.

Therefore we would like to rectify this error and clarify that the Pelagic AC's Executive Committee unanimously supports setting the TACs for Celtic Sea herring in 2015 and 2016 according to the management plan which would imply a TAC of 17.228 tonnes in 2015 and 15.442 tonnes in 2016.

In case you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Pelagic AC Secretariat.

Sincerely,

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