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Subject: PELAC opinion on the revision of the Technical Measures Regulation.

Your ref.: your letter 1617/PAC 34

Dear Mr Raakjaer,

Thank you for your letter of 16 March 2017, in which you inform the Commission of the PELAC opinion on the Commission's proposal regarding a Regulation on technical measures.

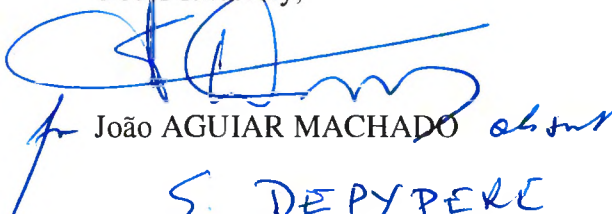
The work carried out by the PELAC in this regard is very useful for DG MARE, and we take note of your detailed suggestions regarding gross tonnage limitations, the desire for a separate pelagic annex and the need for continued stakeholder engagement.

Regarding the status of the proposal, the Council of the European Union has adopted its General Approach in June 2017. We have recently received a draft report of the European Parliament PECH committee and we await the final proposal.

DG MARE will of course continue to provide feedback on this proposal during future meetings of the Pelagic Advisory Council.

Let me thank you again for your cooperation and very useful input. If you have any questions on this reply, you may contact Ms. Evangelia Georgitsi (evangelia.georgitsi@ec.europa.eu; +32.2.295.04.43) or Ms. Pascale Colson (pascale.colson@ec.europa.eu; +32 2 29 56273).

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