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Fisheries Policy Atlantic, North Sea, Baltic and Outermost Regions  
Director

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Dear Mr Sean O'Donoghue,

The Regulation (EU) 2018/973 establishing a multiannual plan (MAP) for demersal stocks in the North Sea and the Regulation (EU) 2019/472 establishing a MAP for stocks fished in the Western Waters and adjacent waters require the Commission to report on the plans' results and impacts by 6 August 2023 and by 27 March 2024, respectively. The two reports will be merged in one report.

As an input to this report, we would be grateful for receiving the views of the Pelagic Advisory Council on various aspects of the MAP. To this effect, a short survey with questions on substance has been put online on EU-Survey under the following link: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/consultationMAPs2023>.

Ideally, your respective organisation should provide a single reply; should this not be possible then each of your member organisations may reply individually. The text of the survey is only available in English. We would invite the respondents to use English, but other official EU languages may be used as well. The survey will be open until 1 March 2023.

The replies to and results of the survey will be used for the Commission's report. For reasons of transparency the replies will be publicly accessible on EU-Survey once the survey will have been closed.

I am looking forward to our continued fruitful cooperation. Should you have any further questions please contact Agnieszka Sadowska, phone number: +32 229-57906, email: Agnieszka.SADOWSKA@ec.europa.eu and Paulo Vasconcelos, phone number: +32 229-84850 email: Paulo.VASCONCELOS@ec.europa.eu.

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Enclosure: The list of questions for the targeted stakeholder consultation on the Multiannual Plans for the North Sea and the Western Waters.

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