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Subject: Management measures for the Nephrops stock in the Porcupine Bank (FU16)

Yr reference: Email from B. Schoute dated 30 November 2015

Dear Mr Armstrong,

Thank you for the NWWAC advice on the management of the Nephrops stock in the Porcupine Bank.

This year, some Member States once again expressed interest in amending the access requirements for this functional unit, but ultimately no change was supported. The Council of Ministers, in their meeting of the 14th and 15th December 2015, therefore maintained the previous access arrangements. However, we fully appreciate your efforts in providing this advice and remain open to further discuss this with you.

Thank you again for your constructive input. If you have any question on this reply, please contact Evangelia Georgitsi, co-ordinator of the Advisory Councils (evangelia.georgitsi@ec.europa.eu: +32.2.295.04.43).

Yours sincerely,

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