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North Western Waters RAC
Mr Bertie Armstrong, Chair of the
Exec. Committee

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Subject: Funding for participation at RACs

Yr reference: Email from A. Rodriguez dated 23 October 2013

Dear Mr Armstrong,

Thank you for drawing my attention to the funding for participation to Advisory Councils (ACs) within the EMFF.

As you state in the above mentioned email, an amendment 538 was tabled in the EMFF proposal by the PECH Committee, which would have restricted financial support to organisations of fishermen, excluding other stakeholders, such as processors, retailers, aquaculture producers, consumer groups and NGOs. This amendment would indeed create unfairness. I am very pleased to inform you that an oral amendment which broadens the financial support to other stakeholders was tabled and adopted during the plenary vote on 23 October.

If you have any question on this reply, you can contact Ms Evangelia Georgitsi, coordinator of the Regional Advisory Councils (evangelia.georgitsi@ec.europa.eu; +32.2.295.04.43).

Yours sincerely,

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