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Subject: Ares(2018)157150 - 10/0112018 - advice on post-2020 EU funding for fisheries and maritime sectors

Dear Director General,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input for the proposal by the European Commission on post-2020 EU funding for fisheries and maritime sectors.

The NWWAC welcomes this consultation but notes that this is a complicated framework document. A detailed analysis will be required of how the funding mechanisms have been implemented in individual Member States in order to evaluate the application of the current EMFF and determine the needs for the future success of post-2020 funding.

While noting the importance of this topic, the deadline of the 5th of February does not allow sufficient time for the NWWAC to consult with its members in the three working languages. This is a pre-requisite of our advice drafting process and is fundamental to the delivery of detailed and useful advice.

Taking into account the importance of this consultation, the NWWAC Secretariat has organised a translation of the annex detailing the specific questions into the three working languages and has distributed the documents to all members for their attention and individual consideration.

According to the internal procedures of the NWWAC, the input received from our members will be collated by the Secretariat for discussion at our meetings on the 7th and 8th of March (Madrid). The outcome of this discussion will be provided to the Commission to assist in this important work.

Yours sincerely,

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