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**RE: Implementation of capacity ceilings and fishing authorizations in the Eastern Channel**

Dear Ms Vitcheva,

At the last meeting of the NWWAC Channel Working Group on March 10, members raised a question in respect of the implementation of article 12 of Regulation (EU) 2018/973, the North Sea Multi-Annual Plan, and specifically the 2006-2007 reference therein.

In line with the Working Group's intention to prepare advice on the management of flyshoot/seine fishery in area 7d, it is considered useful to have an overview of the application by each Member State of this requirement. The Working Group felt that this information can contribute to the objective of reaching a stakeholder agreement on how to maintain sustainable fishery activities in the Eastern Channel.

We hope DG MARE is in a position to accommodate this request and look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman of the NWWAC Executive Committee

