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Subject: BSAC recommendations on the Commission's proposal for a control regulation amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1005/2008, and Regulation (EU) No 2016/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards fisheries control COM/2018/368 final

Dear Bernhard Friess,

Please find enclosed the BSAC's recommendations on the above Commission proposal, and which have just been finalised and adopted by written procedure. ./.

During 2018 and 2019, the Baltic Sea Advisory Council held three joint working groups to discuss and propose amendments to the revised Control Regulation (meeting on 23rd August 2018, 28th January 2019 and 29th October 2019).

The BSAC Secretariat prepared draft BSAC recommendations which were presented to the BSAC Executive Committee on 20th January 2020. The ExCom decided that there was no need to hold another working group meeting to deal further with the draft. A deadline for comments to the draft recommendations was fixed by the Secretariat and all BSAC members have had the opportunity to read and comment on the draft.

After informing the members and the chairs of the relevant working group, the recommendations are confirmed as adopted and final and are thus sent to you and your services.

The BSAC is ready to discuss and clarify in more detail the contents and details of the recommendations.

Kind regards,



Esben Sverdrup-Jensen
Chair BSAC Executive Committee

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