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Dear Andrew Mathison,

Subject: Ares (2017)1880491 - Draft delegated act - EMFF

The BSAC has been invited to comment to the Proposal for a Delegated Regulation on amending Regulation (EU) 508/2014 as regards the indicative distribution of funds among the objectives set out in Articles 82 and 85.

Due to the serious shortage of time, the BSAC has not been able to finalise a formal position on the proposal.

However, from the information received from some ExCom members, it is clear that they oppose the budget cuts, which would follow as a result of the proposed reallocation of the EMFF resources, particularly to control and enforcement, especially in view of the need for the efficient implementation of the landing obligation.

Some ExCom members nevertheless welcome the proposed increase to the budget for scientific advice and knowledge. Investing in this area is crucial for the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy and will allow for specific studies to be carried out that will facilitate the improved management of fisheries.

Kind regards,



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