

LONG DISTANCE FLEET REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Ref.: Faeroes Agreement, Iceland Technical measures, UN Resolution on destructive fishing practices; access to information.

Dear Mr Priebe,

I contact you on behalf of the Long Distance Fleet Regional Advisory Council (LDRAC).

As you are aware the LDRAC has several Working Groups, among them one is focused in Regional Fisheries Organizations and North Atlantic Agreements, namely the WG 2, whose last meeting took place in Brussels, April the 9th.

The meeting of WG 2 was quite profitable, but unfortunately there was nobody from the Commission to inform us about the EC position dealing with the items included in the agenda.

On that score, and in order to allow this WG to give its input at an early stage, to be taken into account by the EC, we would be very grateful if you can inform us about some topics that are nowadays on the arena:

- Position of the EC face to the renewal of the Faeroes Agreement.
- Outcomes of the negotiations between the EC and Iceland: position of the EC.
- NAFO meeting in May: Position of the EC regarding the UN Resolution on destructive fishing practices.

Thus we request your service to inform us and to give us access to any document that could improve WG members knowledge about the position of EC about those so important matters.

We thank you to give this matter your attention and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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