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Subject: Your letter on the "Interim Evaluation on establishing EU financial measures for the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy and in the area of the Law of the Sea 2007-2013"

Dear Mr Wichmann,

Thank you for your letter of 17 May 2011, by which you conveyed the NSRAC Executive Committee's support for the recommendations in the Interim Evaluation report referred to above.

The Commission will consider carefully this evaluation and its recommendations. We share the same goal of having the most cost effective and efficient management of the grants which benefit the RACs.

The Commission, the Council and the Parliament will soon start negotiations on the new Multiannual Financial Framework for the post 2013 period. The outcome of this debate and the financial envelope that will be finally allocated to fisheries policy under this new Multiannual Financial Framework will have a direct bearing on reform of the CFP and the amounts available to support its various interventions.

Yours sincerely,



Lowri EVANS