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Dear Hélène Clark,

We refer to your letter of 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 concerning the Multiannual Plan for the Baltic Sea (Reg 2016/1139) and your request to the BSAC and BALTFISH to provide input to the Commission, which has to report to the European Parliament and the Council on implementation of the Multiannual Plan.

As we informed earlier, the survey style questionnaire was difficult for us to handle, so we took the initiative to coordinate a response from the BSAC in order to produce a single BSAC reply. We made full use of the questions in the survey. It was then dealt with at the BSAC Joint Working Group on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and on the basis of the discussions held and the written input received, a draft reply was sent to the Executive Committee for written approval.

Please find attached the response from the BSAC, as well as the replies received by seven BSAC members to the questionnaire and which are named in the response.

Kind regards,



Esben Sverdrup-Jensen  
Chair BSAC Executive Committee



Andrzej Bialas  
Vice Chair BSAC Executive Committee

cc. Sara Colliander, Marianne Goffeng-Raakil, Risto Lampinen, Veronika Veits, Elisa Roller, Maja Kirchner, Pascale Colson, Mounia Belhaj, Antoine Kopp