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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

The Director-General

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Subject: MAC Advice on Vision for Fisheries, Aquaculture and their Market in 2040

Dear Ms Yobana Bermudez,

I would like to thank the Market Advisory Council for its advice on the proposed Vision for Fisheries, Aquaculture and their Market in 2040.

I fully agree with the key role of fisheries and aquaculture for food security, employment and economic development, especially in rural and coastal areas.

Simplification and level playing field are both key issues for the future of the policy and the Commission will duly consider solutions mentioned in your recommendations.

We are still at the beginning of the process for the 2040 Vision. Throughout the coming months, we will be building on the various consultation processes (CFP Regulation evaluation, energy transition partnership, external action strategy) as well as the results of the evaluation itself and insights provided in the Fishers of the Future foresight study. The Vision for 2040 is listed as a new initiative in the Commission Work Programme for 2026 (Q3 2026).

The Advisory Councils will continue to play an important role throughout this process. I look forward to our continued fruitful cooperation.

Should you have any further questions, please contact Ms. Julia Rubeck, our Advisory Councils coordinator, via the functional mailbox MARE-AC@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

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