



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

The Director-General

Brussels,  
MARE/B/IG

Dear Mr López,

I acknowledge receipt of the advice of the Long Distance Fisheries Council sent on 17 October 2025 on Advancing Sustainability in EU-Linked Fishing Joint Ventures.

I take also the opportunity to thank you again for the advice dated 23 May 2025 on Improving Transparency of Fishing Joint Ventures in Joint Ventures in Third Countries to which I replied on 7 October (Ares (2025)8482483). Together, these contributions are a useful complement to the LDAC's submission to the Call for Evidence on the future EU Strategy for Fisheries External Action launched by the Commission in July-September.

DG MARE will continue to carefully examine these recommendations in its preparation of the Communication on the EU Strategy for Fisheries External Action to be adopted in 2026.

I am looking forward to our continued fruitful cooperation. Should you have any further questions on this reply, please contact Ms Julia Rubeck, our Advisory Councils coordinator, via the functional mailbox [MARE-AC@ec.europa.eu](mailto:MARE-AC@ec.europa.eu).

Yours sincerely,

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