## Letter from DG MARE to NEAFC

To: Stefán Ásmundsson <u>stefan@neafc.org</u> Cc: J. Spencer, B. Kloppenborg

Subject: EU Notification pursuant to Article 5(1) of the NEAFC Scheme of Control and Enforcement

Dear Mr. Asmundsson,

We have been confronted with some technical issues to transmit via the computer connections the list of EU vessels authorised to fish in the NEAFC Regulatory Area in 2016, so the electronic transmission will only be done early January 2016 as soon as these issues have been resolved. Provisionally, and in order to ensure the continuity of fishing operations, you are kindly requested to take note that all vessels that were notified in 2015 and that are already present on the NEAFC website will be notified again for 2016.

The granting of the licences notified is without prejudice to the respect of obligations arising from international law".

Yours sincerely,

**Bernhard Friess**