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Subject: consultations on snow crab fishing - urgent

Dear Anders,

I am writing to you to inform that we would like to organize the consultations in Oslo between fisheries and foreign affairs experts of Latvia and Norway. As you may have heard, Latvia has several fishing vessels that have been involved in the harvesting of snow crabs in the North East Atlantic region. Latvia has become party to Svalbard treaty and we would like to discuss the possibilities/procedures of snow crab harvesting in the Svalbard maritime area and NEAFC Regulatory Area.

Our delegation most likely will be led by Undersecretary of State of the Latvian MFA and will include high level officials from the Department of Fisheries of the Ministry of Agriculture.

We would appreciate if those consultations could be held within coming two weeks as the matter is of high urgency for our fishing industry.

Best regards,
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