

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

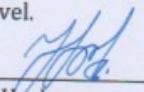
CAPTAIN'S DECLARATION

Herewith I, Rafael Uzakov, master of fishing vessel SENATOR (Flag - Latvia, IMO 6812986, Reg Number LVR0834), declare:

- the vessel SENATOR conducts fishing operations in accordance with fishing license (Nr 2017D3426) issued by Latvian Government that allow for snow crab fishing activities in the areas I, II b including maritime zones around Svalbard. Please have the original for review.
- the fishing license is based on the EU Regula approved by the Council of Ministers on 13.12.2016. Please find a copy of the Annex to Regula attached.
- EU has officially informed Norway its position regarding fishing rights of EU member states in maritime zones around Svalbard in accordance with the Treaty of Paris (1920), and this position has been transmitted to Norway at multiple occasions including recent Nota Verbale from 01st of November, 2016, attached.
- EU also duly transmitted to Norwegian authorities the list of vessels licensed by EU for snow crab fishing activities in Svalbard Area. Please find a copy of the letter sent by EU to Norway with the list of approved fishing vessels.

Based on above, I declare:

My vessel is conducting legal fishing operations and any unjustified interference with it must be considered illegal by the Law of the Sea. Should you, as official representative of Norwegian Government, have any further inquiries or disagreement, it should be addressed to Latvian and EU officials and discussed at that level.



Rafael Uzakov

Master of the vessel

Barents Sea,
75°17' N, 36°45' E.
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