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Dear Chairs,

The Committee on Fisheries of the European Parliament will organize a public hearing on "*The issue of regionalisation in the context of the CFP reform*". This hearing will take place on **21 March 2012, from 15:00 to 18:30 in Brussels**.

The discussion will be divided into two panels. Issues to be discussed during the first panel include the role and tasks of the different actors after the CFP reform (in particular RACs, fishers' associations, but also the EU institutions and the Member States), the creation of new advisory councils or other de-centralized management bodies, the definition of decentralisation/regionalisation and available financial resources. The second panel would deal with the instruments that could be used in a regionalised CFP, i.e. multi-annual management plans, allocation of access to fisheries, fishing capacity and fleet management, technical measures, the Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries or an equivalent body and the different options the Member States would have in a regionalised framework.

I am pleased to invite you to attend this hearing. Taking into account that there will not be enough time to include presentations by all the chairs, you are kindly asked to select one speaker to make a presentation of no longer than 15 minutes during the **first panel**, representing the joint position of all RACs on the issue of regionalisation in the context of the CFP reform.

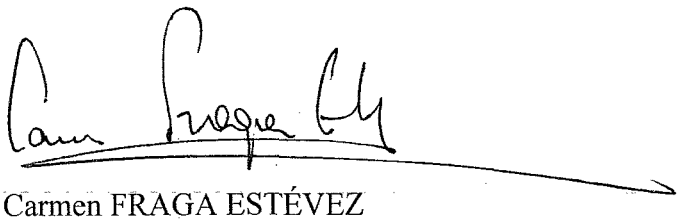
The written submission and/or PowerPoint presentation, with a brief curriculum vitae of your selected speaker, should be sent to our secretariat by **9 March 2012** so as to allow the distribution of the texts to the interpreters.

I would like to inform you that the European Parliament is not in a position to reimburse any of the expenses related to this participation.

For any other additional information you may require, please contact the responsible administrator (Mrs Katharina Massay-Kosubek, phone: + 32 2 284 18 10, katharina.kosubek@europarl.europa.eu) and the secretariat of the Committee on Fisheries (pech-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu).

We look forward to meeting you at our hearing.

Yours sincerely,



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