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**Subject: Cod Recovery Plan - Amendments to 2013 Parliament Position**

Dear Mrs. Dodds,

First and foremost we want to thank you again for your explanation and favourable discussions with industry representatives in Brussels on 27 April 2016. We appreciate your willingness to listen to our opinions. During our conversation you mentioned that you would meet the shadow rapporteurs, the Council Presidency and the Commission representatives involved in the process. We look forward to your feedback from these meetings in order to adapt our involvement if and when necessary.

For reference you will find attached the Europêche/EAPO discussion paper on the subject together with some proposals for possible amendments.

In the light of the very short timetable to get agreement on amendment of the CRP and the consequences of not securing a political agreement, these amendments take into account only the key issues for the sector; the potential effort and TAC reductions. As a result, these amendments deal almost exclusively with Article 12 (effort reductions) as the Parliament amendments to the other Articles, including Article 9, appear to be acceptable to Members. Changes to the Parliamentary amendments to other Articles are not material to the outcome, although amendments to them will be required to reflect the relatively minor amendments that are being suggested here. We hope that you can take these comments into consideration and please do not hesitate to contact us should you require further information.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Javier Garat".

Javier Garat,  
President of Europêche

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pim Visser".

Pim Visser  
President of EAPO