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I wish to submit my views on the Consultation on the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy.

I am an ordinary Irish citizen living in Dublin, Ireland. My views on the matter are that there should be a moratorium on all types of fishing for as long as it is necessary in order to enable fish stocks to replenish themselves. You aware I am sure that a moratorium on fishing off the coast of Newfoundland in Canada has been in operation for several years. Despite the 20 or so year ban, my understanding is that fish stocks are still low. The only fish that would be consumed would be farmed fish. The navies of various Member States should be used to patrol the neighbouring seas to prevent illegal fishing.

I understand that my proposal is radical and I do hope I am not the only one advocating a moratorium. I also understand that it is unlikely to work in the Mediterranean but it could work in the North Atlantic. Fishing communities in Canada were compensated for the loss of their livelihood. Something similar could be done in Europe. Several EU countries will protest, namely Portugal, France and Spain, but we have reached the cross-roads - we either manage the fish stocks or we eventually do untold damages to future generations.

Regards

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