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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Romanian Senate for its Opinion on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Common Fisheries Policy {COM(2011) 425 final} and apologises for the long delay in replying.

The Commission has taken note of the request to establish an Advisory Council for the Black Sea and is pleased to confirm to you that the Council in its General Approach from 13 June 2012 confirmed to establish an Advisory Council for the Black Sea by 2015 taking into account the ongoing discussions with all non-EU Black Sea countries in order to advise on conservation policy. We are convinced that this Advisory Council for the Black Sea can be instrumental in boosting co-operation between Romania, Bulgaria and our sea-basin neighbours in the Black Sea.

The Commission looks forward to further cooperation with the Romanian Senate in the process of the reform of the CFP on this and all other issues.

Yours faithfully,

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