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## For action by Friday COB - European Oceans Pact: ECSA's answer to the call for evidence

Dear Members,

As you recall (Ref: C-14098 of 29-01-25) the ECSA Secretariat has been working on a short document on the European Oceans Pact, highlighting ECSA's priorities potentially relevant to the Pact. This document summarises the ECSA position paper on clean fuels for shipping, the ECSA position paper on the European maritime industrial strategy, as well as ECSA's longstanding position on maritime spatial planning. The Secretariat has furthermore incorporated the comments received from Members.

The topic of marine biodiversity, on which ECSA does not have a position, was raised by Members. We would thus like to know if Members agree on the documents' last paragraph under the headline "Protecting marine biodiversity".

As the deadline to answer the call for evidence is next Monday 17 February COB, I would like to proceed via tacit approval. By Friday COB, Members are invited to contact me if they have any major concerns with the enclosed position.

## **Next steps**

As confirmed in the Commission's work programme for 2025, the Ocean pact will be published in Q2 2025 (Ref: ECSA C-14120). The Secretariat will inform the Members on the latest developments on the file.

I remain at your disposal should you have any questions.

Best regards, Linn

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