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Subject: Letter of the Pelagic RAC dated 22 February 2007 regarding the change of timing of scientific advice

Dear Mr MacSween,

Thank you for the letter sent by your colleague Ingvild Harkes on 22 February in response to our letter of 27 October 2006 regarding a proposal to change the timing of scientific advice.

I appreciate your support for this initiative and share your considerations in relation to the subject. I agree that there is a need to set up a system to deal with new information which will come later in the year. Your proposal is an option we will include in considerations on this subject and in our discussions with ICES on the logistics of the change.

Yours sincerely

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