AMENDMENT TO:

Multi-lateral agreement between Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands and Poland for biological data collection of pelagic fisheries in CECAF waters 2018-2020 (extension 2024)

September 2023

This Amendment replaces the original and amended end date of the multi-lateral agreement and extends the time frame for the amended multi-lateral agreement. The extension of the time frame commences 1st of January 2024.

The Multi-lateral agreement between Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands and Poland for biological data collection of pelagic fisheries in CECAF waters, as signed by all countries named in 2017 for 2018-2020, was amended in 2020 to extend until 2023, is further amended as follows from 1st January 2024 onwards:

The basis for the agreement is updated to the latest regulations. Following EU regulation 1004/2017 and EU Delegated Decision 2021/1167: Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands and Poland hold the obligation to collect representative biological data from the fisheries for small pelagics by freezer trawlers in the CECAF area.

The multi-lateral agreement is extended beyond its amended end date of 31 December 2023. The new end date is 31 December 2024.

The cost share of the total costs and maximum costs remain unchanged.

Governance:

This agreement is covered under the remit of the RCG LDF. Substantial changes to requirements, staff costs and/or substantial legal and/or financial amendments automatically lead to a review of this agreement.

Signatures for agreement

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The Netherlands	Sieto Verver	Head Centre for Fisheries Research, National Corrrespondent	Date: 27/9/2023