Guide to your Provisional Quota Balancing Statement for landing(s) of a pelagic stock, for which a vessel does not hold a valid Authorisation/Notification, in excess of the standard by-catch allowance

Why have I received a Provisional Quota Balancing Statement?

This statement has been sent to you as your vessel has landing(s) of a pelagic stock, for which a vessel does not hold a valid authorisation/notification, in excess of the standard by-catch allowance

Key Information on your Provisional Quota Balancing Statement:

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- The **"Enquires by"** date on the top right-hand corner. If you do not agree with the data in the statement, enquiries must be made by this date. This is important, as after this date, data is deemed final for quota balancing purposes.
- The **"Vessel Details"** table outlines the details & identifiers of your vessel.
- The **"Balancing Adjustment(s) Summary"** table sets out the stock(s) that have been subject to quota balancing and the balancing adjustment(s) for your vessel.

TABLE 1: **List of Trips where pelagic stock(s) was landed without a valid Authorisation/Notification**

- Trip details including Logsheet number, departure/landing date and the declared landings of pelagic stock(s).
- Details of authorised pelagic stock(s) refer to stocks landed on the trip in question under a valid Authorisation/Notification (if applicable).
- Instance number - the number of times at the date of landing (as per logsheet) that the vessel has landed the particular pelagic stock without a valid authorisation/notification in excess of the Standard By-catch Allowance.
- Monitoring quota - Where the stock cannot support a commercial fishery and a Total Allowable Catch (TAC) has been set for monitoring purposes to enable the collection of scientific data.
- The amount of pelagic stocks landed that were authorised or landed without a valid authorisation/notification.

TABLE 2: **Calculation of BY-CATCH ALLOWANCES (if applicable)**

- By-catch allowance calculations – see Glossary of terms, reference numbers 6 & 7 on your Provisional Quota Balancing Statement.

TABLE 3: **Calculation of TOTAL BALANCING ADJUSTMENT DUE for a particular pelagic stock(s)**

- An Unauthorised Stock is a stock that has been landed without a valid authorisation/notification in excess of the Standard By-catch Allowance and for which a Balancing Adjustment has been calculated.

- Instance number - the number of times at the date of landing (as per logsheet) that the vessel has landed the particular pelagic stock without a valid authorisation/notification in excess of the Standard By-catch Allowance.

- By-catch allowance calculations – see Glossary of terms, reference numbers 6 & 7 on your Provisional Quota Balancing Statement.

- Declared landings – landing data provided to the Department by the SFPA as reported by the master of the vessel at the end of a fishing trip in his/her landing declaration.

- Recoupment dependent on instance number or one-for-one basis - see Glossary of terms, reference numbers 9 & 10 on your Provisional Quota Balancing Statement.

- The Multiplier which was applied to calculate the balancing adjustment per instance.

- The Balancing Adjustment per instance is the quantity of the stock landed without a valid Authorisation/Notification that is due to be re-couped for the particular instance in question. This is calculated by summing the 'Recoupment dependent on instance number' and 'Recoupment on one-for-one basis.

What are my next steps?

- If you agree with the data on the statement, then you do not need to do anything further. A final quota balancing statement will issue to you shortly.

OR

- If you do not agree with the data on the statement, you must make an enquiry on or before the "Enquiries by" date on page 1 of the statement. Full details on how to make an enquiry are set out at paragraph 1 on the last page of the statement.