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**Northern Ireland Pelagic Sustainability Group (NIPSG) Irish Sea-
Atlantic mackerel & North Sea herring fishery****Marine Stewardship Council Certification****Certification Body: Acoura Marine Ltd****Notification - Determination and Release of Final Report for Stakeholder
Consultation**

The Determination reached by the Certification Body is that Northern Ireland Pelagic Sustainability Group (NIPSG) Irish Sea-Atlantic mackerel & North Sea herring fishery **should be certified according to the MSC Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fisheries**.

The Final Report relating to this assessment is now available on the MSC website. Please note that this is a determination, not a final certification result. This fishery is therefore not certified, nor is it able to use the MSC's logo on any products until the final consultation period has been concluded and a certificate has been issued.

There is now a 15 working day period during which any party that disagrees with this determination, and that has previously provided input to the assessment team (or can establish that necessary procedures were not followed to seek their involvement prior to this point) may send a written statement of intent to lodge an objection. A description of applicable grounds for objection, along with all other directions for the objections process, can be found here:

<http://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders>

Should you wish to submit an objection please follow the directions detailed on the MSC website via the above link. This must be actioned **no later than 17:00 GMT on 3rd November 2016**.

Please note: Any claim/s or claimed error/s of fact made regarding this fishery assessment through this formal objection procedure must be in the correct format, as dictated by the MSC Objections Process. A template and guidance on the Objections process as a whole is available through the link given above. Any such claim/s or claimed error/s of fact must be supported by objective evidence.