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Public Comment Draft Report – Principle 2
Joint demersal fisheries in the North Sea and adjacent waters

by The Danish Fishermen Producers Organisation (DFPO), The Swedish Fisherman's Producer Organisation (SFPO), The Erzeugergemeinschaft-nordsee (EZG) and Coöperatieve Visserij Organisatie (CVO)

Control Union Pesca Ltd (CU Pesca) is pleased to announce that the Public Comment Draft Report (Principle 2) for the above fishery is now available for comment on the MSC website (<https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/joint-demersal-fisheries-in-the-north-sea-and-adjacent-waters/@assessments>).

The Background Report, Principle 1 and Principle 3 reports have already been published. The reports are being split following a variation request which was accepted on 23rd November 2018.

CU Pesca is happy to receive comments from stakeholders on the report at any time during the comment period. All interested stakeholders are encouraged to contact Charlotte Gwyther (cgwyther@controlunion.com) at CU Pesca by email, telephone or post at the below number and address:

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Please note that the consultation period for the Background, Principle 1, Principle 2 and Principle 3 Public Comment Draft Reports has been extended from 45 days to 65 days, to account for Christmas and New Year's Day closures over the coming weeks. **All stakeholder submissions should therefore be received by 17:00 GMT on the 22nd February 2019.**

Please note that comments should be factual and should be supported by data or other evidence. Comments may remain unattributed. Furthermore, information that cannot be shared with any other stakeholder will not be referenced in the assessment and cannot be used in determining the outcome of the fishery's assessment nor used as a basis for an objection. By engaging your name may be published in any relevant reports. Information can be kept confidential if it is restricted to financial transactions about certification, the financial affairs of individual companies or information that may lead to this information being known, or information that is the subject of relevant national privacy or data protection legislation in the assessed fishery's country

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