

# Marine Stewardship Council - Variation Request

<b>Date submitted to MSC</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
<b>Name of CAB</b>	Acoura
<b>Fishery Name/CoC Certificate Number</b>	Northern Ireland Pelagic Sustainability Group (NIPSG) Irish Sea herring
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<b>Variation prepared by:</b>	Paul Knapman/Louise Allan
<b>Scheme requirement(s) for which variation requested</b>	FCR 7.23.18 This Surveillance Report shall be forwarded to the MSC within 60 days of completing the audit, for publication on the MSC website.
<b>Is this variation sought in order to fulfil IPI requirements (FCR 7.4.14)?</b>	No

<b>1. Proposed variation</b>	
Surveillance report will be submitted 4 weeks after the current deadline of 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2018.	
<b>2. Rationale/Justification</b>	
Following the surveillance audit the assessment team require a further follow up discussion with the client to clarify progress against open conditions. The client is currently involved in high level meetings with respect to the withdrawal of the UK from the EU and, as such, it has not been possible hold the follow up discussions and complete the surveillance report by the current deadline.	
<b>3. Implications for assessment (required for fisheries assessment variations only)</b>	
None	
<b>4. Have the stakeholders of this fishery assessment been informed of this request? (required for fisheries assessment variations only)</b>	No
<b>5. Further Comments</b>	
None.	

