

<u>Tavan SP/F – Faroe Islands Silver Smelt Fishery</u> Marine Stewardship Council Certification Certification Body: Det Norske Veritas

Announcement of Full Assessment

Det Norske Veritas (DNV) is pleased to announce that the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) fishery certification assessment is underway Tavan SP/F. The scope of certification covers the Faroe Island Silver Smelt (Argentina silus) fishery targeted in ICES areas Vb1 and Vb2 (FAO area 27) using bottom trawl as harvesting method.

The assessment will evaluate to what extent the fishery is in compliance with the Marine Stewardship Council's international standard for well-managed and sustainable fisheries.

The certification body contracted to assess these fisheries is Det Norske Veritas (DNV).

DNV seeks to open a dialogue with all organisations or individuals with a direct interest in this fishery. Anyone wishing to provide comments or information to the assessment process (in terms of the status of the stock, ecosystem interactions or fishery management practices) is invited to contact DNV.

The proposed target Eligibility Date is 30th May 2011

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