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Request for Action on "A Case for Libya's joint fishing operation (to be discussed under Agenda item 7)" (PA2-610/2024) - Follow-up

(Request summitted by Libya)

The discussions held during the PA2 meeting on November 12 have led to a pivotal decision regarding document PA2-610. It has been unanimously accepted that the transfer of unutilized quotas between Libyan Joint Fishing Organizations (JFOs) for the 2024 bluefin Tuna fishing season will be implemented. This decision presents a significant opportunity to not only maximize the fishing potential but also enhance the overall efficiency of the fishing industry in Libya.

By permitting the transfer of unutilized quotas, we are addressing a crucial technical issue that requires immediate action from the PWG & Tragsa to amend the relevant eBCDs. This action is imperative as increasing the fishing quotas for the Purse-seine vessels involved will not only promote better resource management but also lead to greater economic activity within the sector.

The repercussions of this transfer on Libya's fishing industry are profoundly positive. It facilitates a more equitable distribution of fishing opportunities, thereby ensuring that resources are utilized effectively and sustainably.

Therefore, we kindly ask the PWG formally request Tragsa to proceed with amending the relevant eBCDs, facilitating the necessary transfer of unutilized Libyan fishing quotas. This initiative will undoubtedly create a more robust and resilient fishing industry in Libya, paving the way for increased opportunities and sustainable practices moving forward.