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Dear Mr. Serpa Soares,

On behalf of the Joint Technical Commission of Maritime Front (Comisión Técnica Mixta del Frente Marítimo - CTMFM) I am pleased to communicate our intention to contribute to the activities of the second cycle of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects.

The CTMFM is an intergovernmental organization established over 40 years with the mandate, defined by the Treaty of the Rio de la Plata and its Maritime Front, for the conservation, preservation and rational exploitation of living resources and the protection of the marine environment in waters of mutual interest for Argentina and Uruguay in the SW Atlantic: the Common Fishing Zone. Since its establishment, the Commission has maintained a permanent Secretariat and met monthly to comply with that mandate.

On this basis, we believe that the CTMFM can contribute to the preparation of the inventory of future and ongoing assessments and other processes at regional and global levels relevant to the Regular Process and to participate in future meetings of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process and regional workshops planned for the south Atlantic.

Yours sincerely,

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