WRITTEN QUESTION P-2931/08 by Carmen Fraga Estévez (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Management plan for the northern hake

The Commission is preparing a long-term management plan for the northern hake. The draft preliminary version of this plan sets out the main measures the Commission has in mind. In the light of examination of these measures, can the Commission explain how it justifies the measures for a future management plan for the northern hake being even harsher than those of the former recovery plan, even more so in view of the success of the latter plan and the fact that its objectives were achieved?

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