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Mr. Daniel Shewchuk
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Dear Mr. Shewchuk:

Re: Nunavut Wildlife Management Board decisions and recommendations on allocation of Nunavut's commercial Greenland halibut and Shrimp resources for the 2019 season

I am writing in response to your correspondence of June 29, 2018, addressed to my predecessor, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, conveying the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's decisions and recommendation for the allocation of Nunavut's commercial Greenland halibut and Shrimp resources for the 2019 fishing season.

I appreciate the efforts of the Board to establish a fair, equitable, open and transparent mechanism to guide the Board in determining its allocation decisions and recommendations. I understand that while the review process of the Board's *Allocation Policy for Commercial Marine Fisheries* has been progressing, the review has not yet been completed. I also understand that the Board intends to be in a position to base its recommendations for the 2020 fishing season on its revised *Allocation Policy*.

I encourage the Board to continue to work with the Department on processes that work for both of us and for Nunavut enterprises.

For Davis Strait West, I note and accept that the intention of the Board's July 6, 2017 letter was to rollover allocations of Northern shrimp to Nunavut enterprises for both the 2017/18 and 2018/19 fishing seasons.

For the 2019 season, I agree to rollover the allocations to Nunavut enterprises for Greenland halibut and Shrimp as defined in Annex 1 to this letter. I also accept the Board's decision to designate 100t from the Division 0A Greenland halibut Total Allowable Catch for inside the Nunavut Settlement Area until December 31, 2019.

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I look forward to continuing our work on the management of the commercial marine resources adjacent to Nunavut.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jonathan Wilkinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Jonathan Wilkinson, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard