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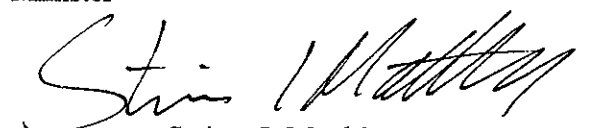
Referring to ICES communication of 17 June 2009 (your ref: c.24.b/HL/MB/MO) on the above subject.

The Ministry is in general agreement with the outlined procedure suggested in your letter of 17 June with a final deadline for an answer by December 2009 as well as the suggested maximum cost of this services.

The Ministry has been informed that the scientist at the Marine Research Institute, Reykjavík will be able to deliver the required documentation within the time frame outlined in your letter. The group leader responsible for the delivery of the working document describing the management plan, presenting appropriate simulations and the software used will be Dr Einar Hjörleifsson, senior scientist at the Marine Research Institute , Reykjavík, Iceland.

On behalf of the Minister


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