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Subject: Letter regarding the situation with auxiliary boats in Romania

Dear Mr. Luchian,

Thank you very much for the above-mentioned letter concerning the situation with auxiliary vessels in Romania. The letter provided relevant information discussed during a meeting of the Working Group on Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing, on 25/09/2019.

Please note that we will carefully follow up the situation with the Romanian authorities and inform you of any relevant outcome. We will also examine whether there is a precedent for the use of auxiliary vessels in similar fisheries in other seabasins.

Let me thank you for your collaboration. If you have any questions on this reply, you may contact Ms. Pascale Colson, coordinator of the Advisory Councils (pascale.colson@ec.europa.eu, +32 2 29 56273).

Yours sincerely,

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