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Dear Ms Tombini,

By letter of 11 October 2021 you submitted an application to my Ministry as referred to in section 3, subsection 1 of the Government Information (Public Access) Act (*Wet openbaarheid van bestuur*; WOB) concerning the position of the Dutch government regarding the amendments proposed by the European Parliament on 10 March 2021 on the EU fisheries control regulation.

There are only a few documents available that give (limited) information on the Dutch position with regard to the amendments of the European Parliament on the control regulation for fisheries. Therefore, as emailed to you before by Carian Posthumus, we are willing to, clarify our position on the control regulation in a meeting and answer your questions.

The Wob provides that a decision must generally be taken within four weeks after receipt of the application, but may be deferred by four weeks. As we are waiting for your reply on our suggestion for a meeting, which can take place end November it is not possible to decide on your application within four weeks. More time is necessary to ensure that the decision is taken with due care.

On the basis of section 6 of the WOB I am therefore extending the time limit for deciding on your application by 4 weeks. This means that you will receive my response to your application no later than 6 December 2022.

If you have any questions concerning the status of your application, please contact: c.c.meijjes1@minlnv.nl

Yours sincerely,



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