Chair Tierney and Task Force Members,

I am disappointed to hear that Ocean Management Task Force is considering the adoption of language which involves fisheries management and permanent closures.

This is contrary to previous statements by your members.

Please do not allow your Task Force to make recommendations which are contrary to your previously stated objectives. Your Task Force can have a significant impact on the biodiversity and habitat protection of our waters without such draconian measures.

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