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European Union Comments on

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Request for comments at Step 5/8 on the proposed draft maximum levels for fish species (i.e. tuna, alfonsino, marlin and shark)

European Union Competence

European Union vote

The European Union reiterates its reservation on the adoption at step 5/8 of the MLs for all tuna, alfonsino, marlin and shark. All these MLs have been increased from the current Codex Guideline Level (GL) of 1 mg/kg.

For the time being, the EU cannot agree with any of the MLs proposed as the levels are higher than those currently in force in the EU and would result in higher exposure to mercury which is a serious public health concern.