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With this document, IIDMA intends to offer an information and consultation tool which encloses the main legal mechanisms related to the implementation of the Fisheries Control Regulation in Spain, with the objective of facilitating the task of stakeholders in the field of fisheries.

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