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Dear Consultee,

Consultation on the Prohibition on Landing Egg-Bearing ('Berried') Lobsters and Crawfish in England

1. I am writing to invite views on the [consultation](#) on the Prohibition on Landing Egg-Bearing ('Berried') Lobsters and Crawfish in England.

Responses

2. We welcome your views and comments on the proposals. To submit your response, please complete the on-line consultation response questionnaire [here](#).

3. The consultation closes on **Monday 15 May 2017**.

Consultation criteria

4. This consultation is in line with the [Government's Consultation Principles](#).

Summary of responses and confidentiality

5. Any responses you send will be seen in full by Defra staff dealing with the issues covered by this consultation. Responses may also be seen by other Defra staff to help them plan future consultations.

6. When this consultation ends, we will summarise all responses and place this summary online on the [Defra consultation website](#). The summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

7. If you require a paper copy of the summary, or have any other enquiries, please contact us by email at: lobsterscrawfish@defra.gsi.gov.uk or postal address:

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8. Defra will store copies of the responses received for at least 6 months from the date the consultation summary response is published. This is so that the public can see them. Copies of responses will be made available to the public on request. This will also enable us to respond to freedom of information legislation requests.
9. If you do not want your response – including your name, contact details and any other personal information – to be made publically available, please say so clearly when you send your response to the consultation. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation. However, because of the law, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to keep these details confidential. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, this will not count as a confidentiality request.
10. Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider and respond to this consultation.
11. If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to: Defra Consultation Coordinator, Area 8A, 9 Millbank, c/o Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London SW1P 3JR.

Yours faithfully
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