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Background

Document 5-9 to HELCOM 42-2021 contains the finalized draft HELCOM Regional Action Plan on Underwater Noise as agreed by DG RAP Noise 1-2021 and a draft HELCOM Recommendation on the Regional Action Plan on Underwater Noise.

Sweden would like the Meeting to consider a few minor questions and changes to the Regional Action Plan on Underwater Noise as given in Annex 1.

Action requested

The Meeting is invited to consider the Swedish proposals.

Annex 1

Detailed comments by Sweden on HELCOM Regional Action Plan on Underwater Noise (document 5-9)

Page 9: "These actions aim at information exchange and coordination"

The national measures also include other types of implementation, consider rephrasing to reflect this, or deleting this phrase.

Page 10, section 3.2: "Improve monitoring of boat noise by developing a proposal to establish national regulation for the use of AIS transmitters on flag state leisure boats likely to emit high levels of underwater noise, in accordance with SOLAS regulation V/19 [...]"

Consider rephrasing "in accordance with SOLAS" to "using a similar approach to SOLAS", since SOLAS does not apply to leisure boating, it contains requirements for ships.

Page 8: section 2.4, Code 30 the sentence is incomplete, or a full stop is missing.