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Teema: Request for information - coast guard - diversion of TMO KIWALA

Dear Madam, Sir,

I am contacting you in the context of European cooperation between coast guard functions and in your capacity as operational authority leading the Estonian coast guard.

On April 11th, Estonian authorities reported in the media the interception and diversion of the TMO Kiwala, a tanker suspected of belonging to the Russian ghost fleet. Given the route taken by these vessels, the Maritime Prefecture for the Atlantic may detect such a vessel in French waters and is interested in the legal basis Estonian authorities used for the diversion conducted. As France is committed to information sharing with Estonia within the framework of the North Atlantic Coast Guard Forum, we believe that exchanging information on this matter between our services could help mitigate the issue of the Russian ghost fleet in the Atlantic.

We are aware that the French Embassy in Estonia is already gathering information that corroborates public informations, but we would appreciate any additional details you could provide.

Thank you in advance for your response,

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