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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### **EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE CURRENT FISHERIES INSHORE FISHING LICENSE HELD BY FISHERIES:**

In light of the pending decision on the formulization of the new Inshore Fisheries Access Fee Payments arrangements and subsequent processes, the Ministry of Fisheries would like to humbly present the following notification:

1. All inshore fisheries fishing license issued for the 2017 period and which were extended to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 and further extended to June 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 are now valid until December 31<sup>st</sup> 2018, when it is envisaged that the new access fee payment structure should be formalised and in place.
2. All active 2017 and 2018 Inshore fishing license holders are requested to contact the closest Ministry of Fisheries Office, for further details (if so required).
3. All new applications for 2018 are hereby informed that the current procedures for application of an inshore fishing license should remained the same.
4. The ministry would like to reiterate the current policy the **NO Goodwill Payments** will be made by fisherman's to any CFROs, until the Access fees Payment Policy is formalised.

This notice shall effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, 2018.

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