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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 03 February 2020 15:32
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Seal shot at Poolewe
Attachments: RE: Seal shot at Poolewe 22nd January; Re: Seal shot at Poolewe 22nd January; Seal shot at Poolewe 22nd January

Hi [Redacted]

As discussed regarding the seal shot at Poolewe – MSLOT have advised that this was not carried out under the seal licence and should be reported to the police wildlife crime unit. MS LOT have also said for recording purposes it should be entered into MSIR which you said you were happy to do.

I've attached the two emails that [Redacted] sent to the SSPCA (the fish farm are also copied into the email), the most recent email today includes photos of a wound on the rear flipper. I've also included the email from [Redacted] (MS LOT) to say this case is to be forwarded on to the police.

I've cc'd [Redacted] who I contacted to see if this was something reported to MS LOT at the time – from the sounds of it, there was a phone call made to LOT to ask if shooting the seal would count towards their seal licence, but were told it would not if it was a shooting for alleviating suffering. [Redacted] – please correct this if I misunderstood what you said on Friday.

I will contact [Redacted] and ask him to forward any response he receives to the emails he has sent and for him to not engage further as this is being dealt with.

Best wishes
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