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REPLIES TO QUESTIONS POSED BY AUSTRALIA¹ REGARDING THE NEW AND FULL NOTIFICATION OF MALAYSIA²

The following communication, dated and received on 16 April 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Malaysia.

Malaysia appreciates the questions posed by Australia on Malaysia's 2023 subsidy notification.

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Question 1

Could Malaysia please clarify the eligibility criteria for fishers who benefit from this program?

Question 2

Does this program provide benefits to fishers engaged in marine capture fishing?

Reply to questions 1 and 2:

The Malaysian Government provides a monthly subsistence allowance to local fishers engaged in marine capture fishing, who are registered with the Department of Fisheries Malaysia subject to rules and regulations, to ease their financial strain caused by the rising cost of living such as food prices and inflation.

¹ [G/SCM/Q2/MYS/29](#)

² [G/SCM/N/401/MYS](#)