

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Food and Drink Sector

Sarah Wollaston Chair, Health Committee

The fishing industry is vitally important to my constituency. Will the Minister update fishers there and around the UK about if, and when, the Government will trigger their intention to withdraw from the 1964 London fisheries convention?

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George EusticeThe Minister of State, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

My hon. Friend makes an important point: there is a 1964 London fisheries convention which has access arrangements for a number of countries. As we have made clear on numerous occasions, we are looking at this very closely, and, as the Prime Minister said just two weeks ago, we hope to be able to say something on this shortly.

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