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ERRATUM

The following is a correction of an error in wording in the 2016 Fall Reports of the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development, Report 2—Sustaining Canada's Major Fish Stocks—Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

On page 7, paragraph 2.25 should read as follows:

2.25 **Rebuilding plans.** Where a stock has been assessed as being in the critical zone (where serious harm to the stock is occurring), and is still being fished, the Department requires that a rebuilding plan be developed as part of the Integrated Fisheries Management Plan. Rebuilding plans normally focus on restoring a stock's abundance, but may also include ensuring that there are a sufficient number of fish of breeding age, or restoring a stock to the geographic areas where it once existed. Of the 15 major fish stocks that needed rebuilding plans—certain stocks of cod, rockfish, redfish, plaice, flounder, mackerel, herring, scallop, and beluga—the Department had not developed rebuilding plans for 12, nor had it established timelines. Not having a rebuilding plan in place increases the risk that these depleted stocks may not recover.