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To: Aleksei A. Baitaliuk Deputy Director - Head of the Pacific Branch of the Federal State Budgetary Scientific Institution "VNIRO" ("TINRO")

Re: Congratulations with the 100th Anniversary of the Pacific Branch of the All-Russian Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography (Pacific Branch of FGBNU "VNIRO" ("TINRO"))

Dear Colleagues,

It is with great respect and admiration we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Pacific Branch of FGBNU VNIRO, a.k.a. TINRO. Reaching a centennial milestone is not only a remarkable achievement in the life of any institution, but also a moment to reflect on the discovery, legacy of knowledge, and dedication that has shaped generations of marine and fishery science. Upon its foundation in 1925, TINRO has stood at the forefront of fisheries and oceanographic research in the North Pacific and Far Eastern seas, and global ocean from Arctic to Antarctic.

For a century, TINRO scientists have advanced our understanding of marine ecosystems, fishery resources, and their dynamics, as well as processes that shape and sustain them. TINRO's pioneering work has not only enriched Russian science, but also contributed to the global body of knowledge, fostering international collaboration and sustainable fisheries management.

The Institute's history is a story of resilience and innovation. Through times of challenge and change, TINRO has remained steadfast in its mission—bridging fundamental research with practical applications, training new generations of specialists, and supporting the communities and industries that rely on the ocean.

On this special occasion, I extend heartfelt congratulations to all current and former staff of TINRO. May this anniversary inspire renewed commitment to scientific excellence, international cooperation, and the responsible stewardship of our shared marine resources. The next century holds both great challenges and opportunities, and I have no doubt that TINRO will continue to lead the way.

With warmest regards and best wishes for continued success

Prof. Evgeny A. Pakhomov