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- * Ensures mining and fishing are prohibited within marine reserves.

I look forward to many more marine reserves being created!

Yours sincerely

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