## SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Wester Ross Marine Conservation Order 2016

## Authorisation for the purpose of scientific research

- **5.**—(1) The Scottish Ministers may, following written application to them, issue a permit authorising the activity mentioned in paragraph (2) which would, apart from any such permit, be unlawful under this Order.
- (2) The activity mentioned in this paragraph is the deployment or use of any fishing gear for the purpose of scientific research.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must not issue a permit unless they are satisfied that there is no significant risk of the activity hindering the achievement of the stated conservation objectives for the Wester Ross MPA.
  - (4) In this article, "fishing gear" has the same meaning as in article 4(5).