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At its 49th Annual Meeting, the Commission agreed that communications between the Secretariat and the Commissioners, and members of the Scientific Committee, should be by electronic means (e-mail or fax) with a hard copy confirmation. The period until the 50th Annual Meeting was to be a trial for this procedure (see Circular Communication dated 4 November 1997, ref: RG/JAC/26964).

We know that for many members the system has worked well, but a few have told us that they have had difficulties of various kinds. In order to prepare a background document as a basis for discussion of this trial at the 50th Annual Meeting in Oman in May 1998, the Secretary has prepared a short questionnaire which all members are asked to return by **31 March 1998.**

Thank you for your help. The answers received will form the basis of a paper for the Finance & Administration Committee to consider in Oman.

Dr R. Gambell
Secretary to the Commission

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