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JARPA and JARPN II Research Plans from Japan (strictly confidential until after discussion by the Scientific Committee at IWC 54)

The Government of Japan has asked that the following documents be circulated to Commissioners and members of the Scientific Committee under the <u>strictest confidentiality</u> until after discussion in the Scientific Committee at the 54th Annual Meeting of the Commission:

- SC/54/O1 The 2002/2003 Research Plan for the Japanese Whale Research Program under Special Permit in the Antarctic (JARPA)
- SC/54/O2 Research Plan for Cetacean Studies in the Western North Pacific under Special Permit (JARPN II)

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