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Voluntary contribution from the USA

I am pleased to inform you that we have received a voluntary contribution of 55,000 USD from the Government of the United States. The USA has indicated that 30,000 USD is a contribution towards costs associated with the hosting of IWC/58 and that the remaining 25,000 USD is to be used to support the symposium on infectious and non-infectious diseases of marine mammals and impacts on cetaceans that will be held in association with Scientific Committee meeting at IWC/59 next year. The voluntary contribution was actually received in July 2006 and the Secretariat apologises for not providing this information earlier.

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