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Revised Rules of Procedure, Debate and Financial Regulations incorporating changes agreed at IWC/61

Please find enclosed Revised Rules of Procedure and Financial Regulations that incorporate the changes adopted by the Commission at IWC/61 in Madeira, Portugal. They will be published in due course in the Annual Report, along with the Chair's Report of the 61st Annual Meeting.

There are changes to:

- the Commission's Rules of Procedure E on 'Decision-making', J on 'Schedule amendments, recommendations under Article VI and Resolutions' and R on 'Amendment of Rules'
- the footnote to Financial Regulations F defining what is meant by 'received by the Commission' in relation to payment of financial contributions;
- the Rules of Debate C on 'Procedural motions'; and
- Scientific Committee Rule of Procedure A.5 regarding observers.

The amendments are shown in **bold italics**.

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