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**IWC Executive Secretary**

As was discussed at IWC68, our Executive Secretary, Dr Rebecca Lent, has indicated her intention to resign in mid-2023. She has been with us since 1 January 2018.

As the IWC has several important issues at hand, we need to make the transition as smoothly as possible.

A recruitment process of a new Executive Secretary needs to be launched promptly and the IWC has established a practice for this recruitment as was done in 2017. As with the previous recruitment of the Executive Secretary, we will advertise an announcement of the position (attached) and we thank the Commission family for circulating this announcement. Please note that the Spanish translation of this circular and the advertisement are attached and the French translation will follow shortly.

As was also done in the previous recruitment, the Bureau will support the Chair in the process, while recognising that the Bureau is not a decision-making body. The final confirmation of recruitment of a new Executive Secretary will be decided by the Commission by a postal vote.

I welcome your support in this process.

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Chair, IWC