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**Preliminary announcement of dates for IWC/63 meetings of Scientific Committee and Commission  
(including sub-groups) in 2011**

1) Scientific Committee in 2011

I am delighted to announce that we have been informed the Government of Norway will, in the near future, issue a formal invitation to host the meeting of the Scientific Committee connected to the IWC/63 annual meeting. The Government of Norway expect to be able to host the meeting in the city of Tromsø between the dates of 27<sup>th</sup> May to 14<sup>th</sup> June.

We will confirm these dates and provide additional details on the venue in due course once the formal offer from the Norwegian Government has been received.

2) Commission sub-groups and Commission plenary meeting in 2011

The Secretariat is in the late stages of confirming the availability of a suitable venue for the meeting of the Commission and its sub-groups in 2011. At the current time we expect that these meetings will be held between the dates of 3<sup>rd</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011 in the United Kingdom.

The dates and venues for both the Scientific Committee and Commission meetings remain subject to confirmation.

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