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## **Special Permit Whaling: Government of Korea**

At IWC/64 in 2012 the Government of Korea announced that it was considering conducting whaling for scientific research on minke whales off the Korean Peninsula.

On 4 January 2013 the Government of Korea informed the IWC Secretariat that it had changed its position regarding its initial plan on scientific whaling and would instead undertake research using non-lethal methods.

Simon Brockington Executive Secretary

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