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**Report of the RMS Expert Drafting Group**

Please find attached the report from the Revised Management Scheme (RMS) Expert Drafting Group (EDG). The report presents the outcome of the meetings of the EDG held in Cambridge UK from 29 October to 1 November 2001, and in Auckland from 26 February to 1 March 2002. It will be discussed during the RMS Working Group meeting in Shimonoseki.

The report is being made available in the first instance to Commissioners and Contracting Governments since not all member countries were represented on the EDG, but it will also be made available to observers (and others) from 21 March via IWC's web site ([www.iwcoffice.org](http://www.iwcoffice.org)) in accordance with Rule of Procedure Q.1 (as revised at IWC/53).

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