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## IWC Small Cetaceans Fund

The Secretary is pleased to announce that the Government of the Netherlands has made a contribution of Dfl 7,000.00, equivalent to £2,093.00, to the IWC Small Cetaceans Fund.

Commissioners will recall that at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Monaco in October, the Finance and Administration Committee reported 'despite generally good budgetary news, the Small Cetaceans Voluntary Fund will become non-viable unless more contributions are received'. During the meeting two Non-Governmental Organisations announced their intention to make contributions to the fund.

Member Governments are invited to consider whether they also could make additional contributions to place the fund on a secure footing for the future.

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