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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 49th 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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