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Amendments to the Schedule to the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, 1946, Adopted at the 49th Annual Meeting

The Secretary refers to his Circular Communications dated 5 November and 1 December 1997 (ref: RG/JAC/26969 and 26987) notifying the amendments to the Schedule of the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, 1946, adopted at the 49th Annual Meeting of the Commission held in Monte Carlo, Monaco, 20-24 October 1997.

No objections have been received within the period of 90 days from the date of notification of these amendments and, in accordance with Article V, paragraph 3 of the Convention, the amendments become effective for all Contracting Governments from **3 February 1998**. However, the London Embassy of the Government of Austria has been instructed to bring to our attention that the amendments have not been submitted to the necessary parliamentary procedure. While having no objection to the content of the amendments, on purely technical grounds, parliamentary procedure in Austria is necessary and you will be informed immediately once the parliamentary procedure has been accomplished.

The Secretary requests an acknowledgement of this Communication in accordance with Article V, paragraph 3 of the Convention.

A new edition of the Schedule, to replace the version dated October 1996 and incorporating these latest amendments will be distributed shortly.

Dr. R. Gambell
Secretary to the Commission