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CIRCULAR COMMUNICATION TO COMMISSIONERS AND CONTRACTING GOVERNMENTS IWC.CCG.17

<u>List of Circular Communications sent to Commissioners and Contracting Governments</u> <u>4 November 1997 - 5 February 1998</u>

04/11/97	RG/JAC/26964	IWC.ALL.1	Communication with the Commission
05/11/97	RG/JAC/26969	IWC.CCG.1	Amendments to the Schedule
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08/01/98	RG/JAC/27008	IWC.ALL.2	Chairman's Report of the 49th Annual Meeting
13/01/98	RG/JAC/27018	IWC.ALL.3	1998 Annual and Associated Meetings. Dates, Venue and
			Hotel Arrangements
19/01/98	RG/JAC/27026	IWC.ALL.4	Chairman's Report of the 49th Annual Meeting - Amendment
20/01/98	RG/JAC/27027	IWC.ALL.5	Visas for 50 th Annual Meeting
02/02/98	RG/JAC/27058	IWC.CCG.10	Delegates attending the Committees and Working Groups,
			50th Annual Meeting
03/02/98	RG/JAC/27059	IWC.CCG.11	Submission of documents for 50th Annual Meeting
04/02/.98	RG/JAC.27060	IWC.CCG.12	Reference Materials at the 50th Annual Meeting
04/02/98	RG/JAC/27061	IWC.CCG.13	Amendments to the Schedule to the ICRW, 1946, adopted at
			the 49 th Annual Meeting
05/02/98	RG/JAC/27062	IWC.CCG.14	Draft Agenda for the 50th Annual Meeting

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Commissioners may like to see the Press Notice prepared by the Chairman following his consultation with Commissioners in Antigua and Barbuda, 3-5 February 1998, copied overleaf.



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PRESS RELEASE

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IWC Chairman's Consultation with Commissioners Antiqua, 3-5 February 1998

The Chairman of the International Whaling Commission (IWC), Mr. Michael Canny of Ireland, called a meeting in Antigua and Barbuda to consult representatives (Commissioners) of member governments on a proposal for a compromise package of measures relating to the moratorium on commercial whaling presented by Ireland at the 49th Annual Meeting of the IWC held in Monaco in October 1997.

Seventeen member countries were represented at the meeting. There was a full and frank exchange of views on the elements of the Irish proposal. fundamental positions of the governments were maintained, but progress was made in reaching a better understanding of national positions.

It was agreed that it will be useful to continue the discussions at the next Annual Meeting of the IWC, to be held in Muscat, Oman, in May 1998.

All delegates expressed their warm appreciation of the facilities and hospitality extended by the Government of Antigua and Barbuda in hosting the meeting.