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	CO0028	Resolution 2000-7 REITERATES its strong support for the research programmes SOWER 2000 and POLLUTION 2000+ and other investigations on the impact of environmental change on cetaceans;	2000
	CO0029	Resolution 2000-7 CONGRATULATES the Scientific Committee for its success in conducting the first IWC-CCAMLR research collaboration in the Southern Ocean;	2000
	CO0031	Resolution 2000-7 WELCOMES the production by the Scientific Committee of the first State of the Cetacean Environment Report and requests the annual submission of this report to the Commission;	2000
	CO0037	Resolution 2000-8 ENDORSES the research and management recommendations of the Scientific Committee at IWC 52 and the recommendations endorsed by the Scientific Committee from the Workshop on Status and Trends and from the Workshop on Causes of Reproductive Failure;	2000
	CO0042	Resolution 2000-9 ENCOURAGES thorough evaluation of the impact of development projects on freshwater cetacean populations, and the implementation of measures to ensure that ongoing and future projects do not threaten these populations;	2000
	CO0043	Resolution 2000-9 RECOMMENDS that efforts are made to assess the relative magnitude of incidental catches of freshwater cetaceans among different areas and fishing techniques, and that appropriate mitigation strategies be developed to reduce by-catch to levels known to be sustainable;	2000
	CO0044	Resolution 2000-9 RECOMMENDS that future protected areas be of appropriate size and location to encompass the range of seasonal movements and life history stages of the cetacean populations they are intended to protect, and that threats to freshwater cetaceans be eliminated or greatly reduced in these areas;	2000
	CO0045	Resolution 2000-9 ENCOURAGES support for existing fora in Asia and the fostering of new opportunities for dialogue in other regions to facilitate the exchange of information on freshwater cetaceans;	2000
CO0116,CC	CO0115	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2001-4 Resolution on the incidental capture of Cetaceans	2001
	CO0118	Resolution 2001-4 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to provide to the 54th Annual Meeting of the Commission a summary of its work in recent years on the most feasible methods to mitigate the incidental capture of large cetaceans in fishing gear, and ways in which entangled large cetaceans may be removed from fishing gear with minimal risk to rescuers	2001
	CO0128	Resolution 2001-7 COMMENDS the Scientific Committees proposal to proceed with the completion of its review of minke whale abundance in the Southern Hemisphere;	2001

CO0129	Resolution 2001-7 ENDORSES the Scientific Committees proposal to present at its 2003 meeting revised estimates of abundance and trends of Southern Hemisphere minke whales, using improved methodology developed during the course of the review, for the full three circumpolar sets of IDCR/SOWER surveys;	2001
CO0130	Resolution 2001-7 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to provide to the Commission at IWC 54: (i) a list of plausible hypotheses that may explain this apparent population decline, (ii) the possible implications that such a decline in abundance may have for the management of minke whales in the Southern Hemisphere, and for ecologically-related species, in particular other cetaceans, and the state of the Antarctic marine ecosystem;	2001
CO0149	Resolution 2001-12 DIRECTS the Scientific Committee to carry out a full assessment of the status of exploited Dalls porpoise stocks as soon as sufficient additional information becomes available	2001
CO0152	Resolution 2001-12 URGES the Government of Japan to halt the directed takes of Dalls porpoises until a full assessment by the Scientific Committee has been carried out	2001
CO0156	Resolution 2001-13 DIRECTS the Scientific Committee to undertake a regular review of the extent to which outstanding recommendations and resolutions relating to small cetaceans have been fulfilled;	2001
CO0202	CO0201 The Commission endorsed Resolution 2002-1 Guidance to the Scientific Committee on the Sanctuary review process	2002
CO0202	Resolution 2002-1 INSTRUCTS the Scientific Committee that, in reviewing Sanctuaries, it includes the following principles in addition to those in the Instructions from the Commission to the Scientific Committee for Review of Sanctuaries approved by the 53rd Annual Meeting. 1) Temporary overlap of management measures, for example Para 10(e) of the Schedule and a sanctuary, cannot be used to invalidate any long-term scientific and conservation value of a given Sanctuary. 2) The application of the Precautionary Approach shall be determined in accordance to Principle 15 of the 1992 Rio Declaration.	2002
CO0308	Resolution 2003-1 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to advise the Conservation Committee in the performance of the tasks entrusted to it in this Resolution, and to ensure that the appropriate scientific research items, including inter alia, whalewatching, environmental issues and behavioural research, under the responsibility of the Scientific Committee, are incorporated in the Conservation Agenda.	2003
CO0318	Resolution 2003-3 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to provide to the Commission, after the completion of the IDCR/SOWER abundance estimates, all plausible hypotheses to explain any decline in abundance estimates that may emerge, and in doing so to consider fully: (i) the possible negative impact of the take of minke whales under Japan's Research Program in the Antarctic, including struck and lost data, on the decline in minke whales population estimates; as well as (ii) the impact of environmental change factors;	2003

CO0320	Resolution 2003-3 RECOMMENDS that no additional JARPA programs be considered until the Scientific Committee has completed: (i) an in-depth review of the results of sixteen years of JARPA; (ii) its review of the abundance estimates for Southern Hemisphere minke; and (iii) the actions requested above and that any such programs should be limited to non-lethal research.	2003
CO0403	Resolution 2004-1 ENDORSES all conclusions and recommendations of the 2004 Scientific Committee concerning western gray whales including that: (1) "as a matter of absolute urgency that measures be taken to protect this population and its habitat off Sakhalin Island"; (2) "strongly recommends that the ongoing Russian-US and Russian and Republic of Korea national programmes on western gray whale research and monitoring continues and expands into the future"; (3) "strongly recommends that all range states develop or expand national monitoring and research programmes on western gray whales"; (4) "strongly recommends that in situations when displacement of whales could have significant demographic consequences, seismic surveys should be stopped."	2004
CO0422	Resolution 2004-6 AGREES to re-establish the Working Group on the RMS with a view to holding an intersessional meeting prior to IWC/57, as outlined in the attached Intersessional Plan of Work.	2004
CO0423	Resolution 2004-6 AGREES to proceed expeditiously towards the completion of both the drafting of text and technical details of the RMS according to the attached Intersessional Plan of Work with the aim of having the results ready for consideration, including for possible adoption, at IWC57, and/or to identify any outstanding policy and technical issues.	2004
CO0502	Resolution 2005-1 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to review the outcomes of JARPA as soon as possible	2005
CO0507	Resolution 2005-2 RECOMMENDS THAT scientists from range states and other countries to collaborate in association with the IWC Scientific Committee and harmonize efforts to develop a research program and conduct analysis of data, and that funds to be provided.	2005
CO0510	Resolution 2005-3 CALLS UPON all organisations concerned with oil and gas projects to take all practicable measures to ensure that received noise levels in the Piltun feeding ground are reduced to a minimum and are in accordance with any future recommendations of the IWC Scientific Committee	2005
CO0512	Resolution 2005-3 FURTHER CALLS UPON all organisations, range states, authorities, scientists and other stakeholders concerned with developments in the waters around Sakhalin Island to support the efforts to develop a framework for collaborative research, monitoring and mitigation efforts between oil companies, independent experts, national programmes and authorities and the IWC and other intergovernmental organisations, and that they share all relevant data collected	2005

CO0717	Resolution 2007-4 EXPRESSES APPRECIATION that CITES recognises the IWC's Scientific Committee as the universally recognised international organisation with international expertise to review and evaluate the status of the world's whale stocks;	2007
CO0718	Resolution 2007-4 REAFFIRMS the important role of CITES in supporting the IWC's management decisions with regard to the conservation of whale stocks and the importance of continued cooperation between CITES and IWC	2007
CO0719	Resolution 2007-4 REAFFIRMS the importance of continued cooperation between CITES and IWC with regard to the conservation of whale stocks through the regulation and management of international trade in whale products;	2007
CO0902	Resolution 2009-1 ENDORSES the outcome of the climate change workshop and associated recommendations of the Scientific Committee given in IWC/61/Rep1, including the need to expand the current international multi-disciplinary efforts and collaborative work with other relevant bodies;	2009
CO0904	Resolution 2009-1 DIRECTS the Scientific Committee to continue its work on studies of climate change and the impacts of other environmental changes on cetaceans, as appropriate	2009
CO1105	Resolution 2011-1 REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to continue its practice of reviewing its operations and Rules of Procedure with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of its operations	2011
CO1202,CC CO1201	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2012-1 on the Importance of Continued Scientific Research with Regard to the Impact of the Degradation of the Marine Environment on the Health of Cetaceans and Related Human Health Effects.	2012
CO1204	Resolution 2012-1 welcomes the work accomplished so far under the Pollution 2000+ research programme.	2012
CO1205	Resolution 2012-1 requests the Scientific Committee to remain engaged in the evaluation of the available data on organic contaminants and heavy metals in some cetaceans as well as the effect of such contamination on the health of cetaceans and their reproduction; and FURTHER REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to report to the IWC on the progress accomplished thereon, if possible by the next meeting of the Commission (IWC/65).	2012
CO1208	Resolution 2012-1 undertakes to revisit the issue at a future meeting, in the light of the relevant developments and scientific information, and based on the report by the Scientific Committee	2012

CO1404	Resolution 2014-1 requests the Scientific Committee to give high priority to all AWMP-related activities, including modelling and data collection and to complete, and, to the extent possible, accelerate its work on the development of agreed and validated SLAs for the Greenland hunt, at least by species, before 2018 in accordance with its current workplan as well as consider the integration of these SLAs so as to provide multispecies advice for the next quota period.	2014
CO1417,CC CO1416	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2014-4 on the Scientific Committee.	2014
CO1417	Resolution 2014-4 directs the Scientific Committee to continue to improve its work towards conservation-related matters including an increasing allocation of funding for conservation oriented research, such as investigation on conservation or mitigation measures, while taking into consideration other core activities as provided for by the Convention.	2014
CO1418	Resolution 2014-4 agrees to establish a working group between the Conservation Committee and the Scientific Committee in order to propose a procedure to facilitate the implementation and follow-up of conservation recommendations.	2014
CO1420	Resolution 2014-4 requests the Scientific Committee, including its sub-Committees and working groups, to improve reporting efficiency by providing consolidated reports covering the two-year intersessional period wherever possible.	2014
CO1423	Resolution 2014-4 forwards to the Scientific Committee the proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Scientific Committee in Annex III for their consideration, with a view to adopting amended rules at the Commission's next meeting after considering advice from the Scientific Committee.	2014
CO1424	Resolution 2014-4 consolidates the mandate of the Small Cetacean Standing Sub-Committee by adopting the following terms of reference: Review the distribution and stock structure of small cetaceans, Review information on the status of the stocks of small cetaceans and provide an assessment of the threats to the stocks concerned, Advice on ways in which those threats can be eliminated or mitigated, Review developments to topics and recommendations that were subject of previous reports, Coordinate with other Scientific Committee sub-committees and working groups, where appropriate, to further address topics related to environmental concerns, whale watching, RMP, AWMP, human induced mortality, among others.	2014

CO1426	Resolution 2014-5 instructs the Scientific Committee, in its review of new and existing special permit research programmes, to provide advice to the Commission on (a) whether the design and implementation of the programme, including sample sizes, are reasonable in relation to achieving the programme's stated research objectives; (b) whether the elements of the research that rely on lethally obtained data are likely to lead to improvements in the conservation and management of whales; (c) whether the objectives of the research could be achieved by non-lethal means or whether there are reasonably equivalent objectives that could be achieved non-lethally; (d) whether the scale of lethal sampling is reasonable in relation to the programme's stated research objectives, and non-lethal alternatives are not feasible to either replace or reduce the scale of lethal sampling proposed; and (e) such other matters as the Scientific Committee considers relevant to the programme, having regard to the decision of the International Court of Justice, including the methodology used to select sample sizes, a comparison of the target sample sizes and the actual take, the timeframe associated with a programme, the programme's scientific output; and the degree to which a programme coordinates its activities with related research projects.	2014
CO1427	Resolution 2014-5 instructs the Scientific Committee to consider and revise how it reviews special permit research programmes, including in relation to the Annex P: Process for the Review of Special Permit Proposals and Research Results from Existing and Completed Permits, in light of the matters set out in paragraph 1 above, for consideration by the Commission.	2014
CO1428	Resolution 2014-5 requests that no further special permits for the take of whales are issued under existing research programmes or any new programme of whale research until: (a) the Scientific Committee has reviewed the research programme to enable it to provide advice to the Commission in accordance with the instructions above; and (b) the Commission has considered the report of the Scientific Committee and assessed whether the proponent of the special permit programme has acted in accordance with the review process described above; and (c) the Commission has, in accordance with Article VI, made such recommendations on the merits or otherwise of the special permit programme as it sees fit.	2014
CO1602,CC CO1601	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2016-3 on Cetaceans and Their Contributions to Ecosystem Functioning.	2016
CO1602	Resolution 2016-3 acknowledges increasing scientific data suggesting that whales enhance nutrient availability for primary production	2016

CO1603	Resolution 2016-3 recognises the need to include consideration of the contributions made by live cetaceans and carcasses present in the ocean to marine ecosystem functioning in conservation, management strategies and decision making	2016
CO1606	Resolution 2016-3 directs the Conservation Committee to undertake the review previously identified and directs the Conservation and Scientific Committees to further incorporate the contribution by live cetaceans to ecosystem functioning into their work	2016
CO1607	Resolution 2016-3 asks the Scientific Committee to screen the existing research studies on the contribution of cetaceans to ecosystem functioning, to develop a gap analysis regarding research and to develop a plan for remaining research needs	2016
CO1619	Resolution 2016-2 agrees that the discussion of special permit programmes be afforded sufficient priority and time allocation to allow for adequate review at both Commission and Scientific Committee meetings;	2016
CO1620	Resolution 2016-2, in order to facilitate the Commission's timely and meaningful consideration of new, ongoing and completed special permit programmes, requests Contracting Governments to submit proposals for new special permit programmes, and review documentation for ongoing and completed special permit programmes, at least six months before the Scientific Committee meeting held in the same year as a Commission meeting (see the indicative process set out in paragraph 9 of the Appendix);	2016
CO1621	Resolution 2016-2, in order to facilitate the Scientific Committee's review of new, ongoing and completed special permit programmes, requests Contracting Governments to provide members of the Scientific Committee unrestricted and continuing access to all data collected under special permit programmes that are: a. used in the development of new programmes; or b. included in ongoing or final programme reviews. Data made available in accordance with this request shall be used only for the purposes of evaluation and review of special permit programmes.	2016
CO1622	Resolution 2016-2 instructs the Scientific Committee to inform the Commission as to whether Scientific Committee members had unrestricted and continuing access to data collected under special permit programmes, and analyses thereof;	2016
CO1623	Resolution 2016-2 further instructs the Scientific Committee to provide its evaluation of proposals to the Commission in the same year as a Commission meeting (regardless of when the Scientific Committee's review commences), and to make necessary revisions to its procedures for reviewing special permit programmes, including Annex P, to incorporate the expectation that Contracting Governments will schedule any special permit programmes in accordance with the process outlined in paragraph 3;	2016

CO1624	Resolution 2016-2 agrees that the Commission will consider the reports of the Scientific Committee and of the Working Group at the first Commission meeting after the Scientific Committee has reviewed the new, ongoing or completed special permit programme in question and, taking into account those reports, the Commission will: a. form its own view regarding: i. whether the review process has adequately followed the instructions set out in Annex P and any additional instructions provided by the Commission; ii. whether the elements of a proposed special permit programme, or the results reported from an ongoing or completed special permit programme, have been adequately demonstrated to meet the criteria set out in the relevant terms of reference in Annex P, and any additional criteria elaborated by the Commission; and iii. any other relevant aspect of the new, ongoing or completed special permit programme and review in question; b. provide any recommendations or advice it considers appropriate to the responsible Contracting Government regarding any aspect of the new, ongoing or completed special permit programme, including affirming or modifying any proposed recommendations or advice proposed by the Scientific Committee.	2016
CO1630	Resolution 2016-4 requests the Scientific Committee to provide at IWC67 a summary of the current state of knowledge on the presence of heavy metals, with emphasis on mercury compounds, in cetaceans worldwide, and to identify areas of ocean health and human health concerns, and geographic areas where research should be prioritised in this regard; and	2016
CO1638	Resolution 2016-5 endorses the recommendations of the IWC Scientific Committee, in particular the urgent need to strengthen enforcement efforts against illegal fishing in Mexico and totoaba smuggling out of Mexico and into transit and destination countries; the urgent need to remove active and ghost gillnets from the range of the vaquita; and the need to maintain the acoustic monitoring programme as a key action in support of any recovery strategy	2016
CO1802,CC CO1801	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2018-2 on advancing the Commission's work on the role of cetaceans in the ecosystem functioning.	2018
CO1802	Resolution 2018-2 Commends the Scientific and Conservation Committee for their efforts to increase understanding of the contribution of cetaceans to ecosystem functioning, and encourages them to collaborate whenever possible with CMS and other international organisations, including to identify additional opportunities to jointly advance this work.	2018
CO1803	Resolution 2018-2 Encourages the Scientific and Conservation Committees to seek synergies and advance co-operation and co-ordination regarding their complementary work streams on this issue.	2018

CO1809	Resolution 2018-3 directs the Conservation Committee and Scientific Committee to continue their work on ghost fishing gear and its impacts to cetaceans in its work, including assessing the risk of each gear's propensity to become ALDFG and to pose a threat to harm cetaceans and which species or regions are most affected.	2018
CO1815,CC CO1814	The Commission endorsed Resolution 2018-4 on anthropogenic underwater noise.	2018
CO1880	Resolution 2018-4 instructs the Scientific Committee to continue its work regarding anthropogenic underwater noise and cetaceans, with a particular focus on: (1) evaluation of the extent and degree of exposure of cetaceans to different types of noise; (2) obtaining a better understanding of the effects of noise on cetaceans at the individual and population level, including chronic and acute effects; (3) reviewing the effectiveness of different approaches to reducing cetacean exposure to noise; and (4) reviewing work on the impacts of noise on cetacean prey and considering any implications of this for cetacean populations via the food-chain	2018
CO2229	REQUESTS the Scientific Committee to develop an approach to be considered by the IWC that would assess the current knowledge of the impact of marine plastic pollution on cetaceans and would provide a global risk assessment that identifies "hotspots" of cetacean exposure to plastic debris;	2022
CO2230	ENCOURAGES the Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee, and Whale Killing Methods and Welfare Issues Working Group to consider engaging, as appropriate, in pilot projects of other organizations or entities on marking of gear used in fishing activities that lead to cetacean entanglement;	2022

Commission Endorsed at	Themes	To be Actioned By	Also Relevant to	Status
IWC63	Pollution, Climate Change	Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC63	Cooperation with other organisations	Scientific Committee	CCAMLR	Open
IWC63	SOCER	Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63	Bycatch & Entanglement	Scientific Committee		Open
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IWC63	Special permits	Scientific Committee		Open

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IWC63	Population assessment, Directed takes	Scientific Committee	Japan	Open
IWC63	Directed takes	Scientific Committee, Japan		Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee	IWC Secretariat	Open
IWC63	Sanctuaries	Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63	Sanctuaries	Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC63	Special permits	Scientific Committee	Japan, Commission	Open

IWC63	Special permits	Scientific Committee	Japan	Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63		Sub-committee on the Revised Management Procedure		Open
IWC63		Sub-committee on the Revised Management Procedure		Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee	Japan	Open
IWC63		Scientific Committee		Open
IWC63	Noise	Scientific Committee	Industry	Open
IWC63	Cooperation with other organisations	Scientific Committee	Industry, Research Community	Open

IWC63	Cooperation with other organisations	Scientific Committee	CITES	Open
IWC63	Cooperation with other organisations	Scientific Committee, IWC Secretariat	CITES	Open
IWC63	Cooperation with other organisations	Commission, Scientific Committee	CITES	Open
IWC63	Climate Change, Cooperation with other organisations	Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC63	Climate Change	Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC63	Governance Review	Scientific Committee	IWC Secretariat	Open
IWC64		Scientific Committee, Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns		Open
IWC64	Pollution	Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns	Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns, Scientific Committee	Open
IWC64	Pollution, Disease	Scientific Committee, Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns		Open
IWC64		Commission, Scientific Committee	Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns	Open

IWC65	Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling, AWMP	Scientific Committee	Denmark, Standing Working Group on Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Management Procedures	Open
IWC65		Scientific Committee		Open
IWC65		Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC65		Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC65	Governance Review	Scientific Committee		Open
IWC65		Scientific Committee	Commission	Open
IWC65		Scientific Committee, Sub-committee on Small Cetaceans		Open

IWC65	Special permits	Scientific Committee	Commission, Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub- committee	Open
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IWC66	Special permits	Scientific Committee, Commission	IWC Secretariat	Open
IWC66	Special permits	IWC Contracting Governments	Scientific Committee	Open
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IWC66	Special permits	Commission		Open
IWC66	Pollution	Scientific Committee	Commission	Open
IWC66	Bycatch & Entanglement	IWC Contracting Governments, Mexico, United States Of America, China (People's Republic Of)	Scientific Committee	Open
IWC67	Ecosystem functioning	Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee		Open
IWC67	Ecosystem functioning	Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee	Convention on Migratory Species	Open
IWC67	Ecosystem functioning	Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee		Open

IWC67	Bycatch & Entanglement, Marine Debris	Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee	IWC Secretariat	Open
IWC67	Noise	Commission, Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee		Open
IWC67	Noise	Sub-committee on Environmental Concerns, Scientific Committee		Open
IWC68	Pollution, Marine Debris	Scientific Committee	Conservation Committee	Open
IWC68	Pollution, Marine Debris, Cooperation with other organisations	Conservation Committee, Scientific Committee, Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Welfare Issues	IWC Secretariat	Open

Recommendation Notes

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