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**Circulation of Scientific Committee Report**

The report of the Scientific Committee meeting held in Tromsø between 30 May and 12 June is attached to this circular. The annexes to the report have not been included so as to reduce the load on the email server, but they are available upon request from [secretariat@iwcoffice.org](mailto:secretariat@iwcoffice.org). In due course the report and its annexes will be produced as a supplementary issue of the *Journal of Cetacean Research and Management* in the usual way.

Under Scientific Committee's Rules of Procedure 5.(b) the report remains confidential until the opening plenary of the Annual Commission meeting. Accordingly it should not be circulated outside of the Committee before 10.00 am on Monday 11 July. The report has also been distributed by email to IWC Commissioners and Contracting Governments.

I hope that everyone enjoyed a pleasant journey home, and I look forward to seeing those of you attending the Commission's meeting in Jersey in a few days time.

Dr Simon Brockington  
Secretary to the Commission