

CIRCULAR COMMUNICATION TO COMMISSIONERS
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Reminder of procedure for distributing documents for IWC/55

Non-confidential documents

As last year, all non-confidential documents for the meeting of the Commission and its sub-groups (except the Scientific Committee) are being made available to Commissioners, Contracting Governments and observers via IWC's public website. **Copies of such documents will only be sent by email to those Commissioners and Contracting Governments who specifically request them. Please inform Julie Creek (Secretariat@iwcoffice.org) by Friday 2 May if you wish to receive documents by email.**

It is assumed that unless we have received a specific request, member governments will download documents from the website. To access these documents, you can go straight to the following link <http://www.iwcoffice.org/Agenda%20info%202003.htm>. Alternatively, go to the web site (www.iwcoffice.org), click on '2003 Meeting', and then on 'Draft Agendas and Documents'.

The following documents are already available on the website:

Agenda:

- Annotated Provisional Agenda
- Draft Agenda for the Workshop on Whale Killing Methods and Associated Welfare Issues
- Revised Draft Agenda for the Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee
- Revised Draft Agenda for the Infractions Sub-committee

Document:

- IWC/55/10: Financial Statements

Further documents will begin to be available from 5 May – the date by which governments are encouraged to submit their documents (Circular Communication IWC.CCG.316 of 7 March).

Commissioners and Contracting Governments who routinely receive hard copies of Circulars and documents by post will continue to do so.

Confidential documents

Confidential documents, such as those for the F&A Committee and the private meeting of Commissioners on the RMS are not being made available from the website. Instead they continue to be distributed by email or hard copy as appropriate.

