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Documents for IWC/59 and distribution procedure

1. Procedure for distributing documents

The procedure for distributing documents for IWC/59 is described below:

Non-confidential documents

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) if you wish to receive documents by email.*

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Confidential documents

Confidential documents such as those for the F&A Committee are not being made available from the website. Instead they will continue to be distributed by email or hard copy as appropriate.

2. Documents now available

The documents now available are listed in the table attached, including whether or not they can be downloaded from the website.

Please also now find attached the following document for the F&A Committee:

IWC/59/F&A 5: Exploration of the introduction of French and Spanish as Working Languages of the IWC: how to address the requests made in Resolution 2006-3

We kindly ask you to ***BRING COPIES OF PRE-CIRCULATED DOCUMENTS WITH YOU TO THE MEETING*** as we do not intend to provide extra copies of these documents in Anchorage on a routine basis.

Dr. Nicky Grandy
Secretary to the Commission

IWC/59 Documents available as of 20 April 2007

			Date circulated/ made available	On website?
Commission documents				
IWC/59/	1	Draft list of documents	29/03/07	Yes
	2	Annotated Provisional Agenda	29/03/07	Yes
	5	Financial Statements	29/03/07	Yes
	7	Summary Report of the Conference for the Normalization of the International Whaling Commission, February 13-15, 2007, Tokyo, Japan	27/02/07	Yes
	9	Proposed Schedule amendment to permit the catching of minke whales from the Okhotsk Sea-West Pacific Stock by small-type coastal whaling vessels	19/04/07	Yes
Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee				
IWC/59/ASW	1rev	Revised Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	Yes
Infractions Sub-committee				
IWC/59/INF	1	Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	Yes
Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Associated Welfare Issues				
IWC/59/WKMAWI	1	Revised Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	Yes
Conservation Committee				
IWC/59/CC	1rev	Revised Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	Yes
	4	Country Report on Ship Strikes: Australia	13/04/07	Yes
	5	Update on whale protection measures in the Pacific Region: Information Paper (submitted by Australia)	13/04/07	Yes
	6	Australia: Voluntary National Cetacean Conservation Report	13/04/07	Yes
IWC/57/CC	7	Outline Proposal for the IWC Conservation Agenda		Yes
IWC/58	Rep 5	Report of the Conservation Committee		Yes
F&A Committee Special Session				
IWC/59/F&A SS	1	Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	No
F&A Committee				
IWC/59/F&A	1rev	Revised Draft Agenda (and annotations)	29/03/07	No
	3	Expression of interest from SWITZERLAND in hosting the IWC Secretariat	15/02/07 (Circ. Comm IWC.CCG.597)	No
	4	IWC/59/F&A 4: Expression of interest from GERMANY in hosting the IWC Secretariat	15/02/07 (Circ. Comm IWC.CCG.597)	No
	5	Exploration of the introduction of French and Spanish as Working Languages of the IWC: how to address the requests made in Resolution 2006-3	20/04/07	No

