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Waiver of visa fees for members of national delegations attending IWC/61 in Madeira

Please find attached a letter from Jorge Palmeirim, IWC Commissioner for Portugal, regarding the waiving of fees for members of national delegations attending IWC/61 and instructions on how to claim this waiver.

This waiving of fees only applies to members of delegations of Contracting Governments and not to observers. It applies to Contracting Government delegates to all parts of the Annual Meeting, i.e. the Scientific Committee, meetings of the other Commission's sub-groups and the plenary. **I would be grateful therefore if you bring the attached letter to the attention of all your official delegates, bearing in mind also the lead time needed to obtain visas.**

Information on who requires visas for Madeira was provided in Circular Communication IWC.ALL.129 of 1 December 2008 and is also available on our website at:

<http://www.iwcoffice.org/meetings/meeting2009.htm#visa>

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