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**Intersessional Meeting of the Commission to address Greenland aboriginal subsistence quotas
TradeWinds Island Grand Resort, St. Pete Beach, Florida USA 4-5 March 2010**

At the 2009 Annual Meeting in Madeira, the Commission agreed to leave open the decision on Greenland's request for a take of humpback whales until an intersessional meeting, by which time the report from a small scientific group established to investigate the issue of conversion factors would be available to facilitate discussions.

Please now find attached the following document:

IWC/M10/2: Report of the small working group on conversion factors (from whales to edible products) for the Greenlandic large whale hunt

It is also available on the website at the following address:

http://www.iwcoffice.org/_documents/commission/future/GreenlandReportJan10.pdf

A draft agenda will be available shortly.

The meeting will begin in the afternoon of Thursday 4 March. It will be open to IWC-accredited observers but not to the media (because of concerns regarding space).

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