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**Amendments to the Schedule to the ICRW(1946) as adopted at the Commission's 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting,  
Jersey, Channel Islands, 11-14 July 2011**

Commissioners and Contracting Governments were notified of amendments to the Schedule adopted at IWC/63 in Jersey in July 2011 via Circular Communication IWC.CCG.958 of 27 July 2011. These amendments were limited to the automatic updating of dates for whaling seasons in paragraphs 11 and 12, and Tables 1, 2 and 3.

The Government of the Czech Republic lodged an objection to these amendments within the prescribed 90 day notice period (see Circular Communication IWC.CCG.967 of 5 October 2011), and this instituted an additional 90 day period during which any other Contracting Government could present objection to the amendments. This additional notice period expired on 23 January 2012.

I would like to inform you that in the absence of any further objections, the amendments to the Schedule of the ICRW adopted at the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting became effective for all Contracting Governments, with the exception of the Czech Republic, from 23 January 2012. A new edition of the Schedule is enclosed. Further copies are available on request from the Secretariat and can also be downloaded from the Commission's website. The Schedule will also be included in the Annual Report of the IWC 2011.

Article V paragraph 3 of the ICRW requires Contracting Governments to acknowledge receipt of notifications of Schedule amendments. Acknowledgements were received from two Contracting Governments in response to IWC.CCG.958, and from two Contracting Governments in response to IWC.CCG.967.

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