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Call for information on whale killing methods and associated welfare issues ahead of IWC/64

This Circular invites Contracting Governments to submit information on whale killing and welfare statistics by **Monday 28 May 2012**. Information received will be circulated in advance of the meeting of the Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Associated Welfare Issues which will be held on 25 June.

The Secretariat has developed a Summary Reporting Form which Contracting Governments may wish to use to guide their responses (Annex 1). Completion of this form is not compulsory nor is it intended to replace the submission of detailed reports where appropriate. The form is based upon relevant Commission Resolutions (1997-1, 1999-1, 2001-2 and 2004-3) and the revised action plan on whale killing methods developed at an IWC workshop in 2003.

Contracting Governments may also wish to use the form to provide information on times to death and methods used to euthanize stranded or trapped whales.

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c.c. Intergovernmental Organisation observers to the IWC