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Japanese Special Permits – North Pacific (Coastal Component)

The Government of Japan has issued Special Permits authorizing the 2013 take of minke whales for scientific research purposes in the Western North Pacific Ocean (coastal component), and reports to the International Whaling Commission in accordance with Article VIII (1) of the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling.

Copies of the Special Permits are attached.

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