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Call for information on whale killing methods and associated welfare issues ahead of IWC/65

This Circular invites Contracting Governments to submit information on whale killing and welfare statistics by **Friday 22 August 2014**. 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 Thursday 11 September 2014.

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 attached to provide information on times to death and methods used to euthanize stranded or trapped whales.

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