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# PROPOSAL TO HOLD AN IWC WORKSHOP

#### **PART 1: Scientific Justification**

#### 1. PROPOSED TITLE OF WORKSHOP

Review of future Japanese Special Permit research in Antarctic.

#### 2. RELEVANT SUB-GROUP OR SUB-GROUPS

## 3. OBJECTIVE/TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE WORKSHOP

Review of future Japanese Special Permit research in Antarctic.

4. SCIENTIFIC RATIONALE FOR THE WORKSHOP, EXPLAINING INTER ALIA WHY IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE WORK OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND HOW IT RESPONDS TO IDENTIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS

Japan announced that the Government of Japan will issue a Special Permit for a new research programme in the Antarctic starting in the season 2015/16. Japan wishes this programme to be reviewed at the SC66a in 2015, in accordance with the "Annex P: Revised Suggestions for Improved Review of Special Permit Proposals and Results within the Scientific Committee".

In accordance with the provisions for the review process stipulated in the Annex P, Japan will submit a new proposal to the chair of the Scientific Committee no later than six months before the next Annual Meeting of the Scientific Committee in 2015 (October/November 2014). The proposal should then be reviewed by a small specialist workshop with a limited but adequate number of invited experts.

5. ANY PREREQUISITE DATA REQUIREMENTS AND ANALYSES (IF BUDGET REQUESTS THESE SHOULD BE ON A SEPERATE RESEARCH PROPOSAL FORM)

### 6. LIKELY SCIENTIFIC OUTCOME

Report.

#### **PART 2: Logistical aspects**

#### 7. SUGGESTED STEERING GROUP (INCLUDING POSSIBLE CONVENOR)

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# 8. TIMETABLE AND FORMAT OF WORKSHOP, E.G. 2-DAY WORKSHOP BY INVITATION ONLY

# 9. EXPECTED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING SUGGESTED INVITED PARTICIPANTS (GIVE NAMES AND AREAS OF EXPERTISE)

Up to 5 participants and a representative from the Secretariat.

#### 10. (PROVISIONAL DATE) AND PROPOSED VENUE

January-February 2015, Tokyo

## 11. PROPOSED BUDGET (INCLUDING BREAKDOWN)

Cost for 5 invited participants and one representative of the IWC