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**Voluntary Contributions
(January – June 2016)**

I am pleased to report the receipt of voluntary contributions for the six month period January – June 2016 as shown on the attached table. Previously, Circular Communication IWC.ALL.243 of 5 February 2016 listed voluntary contributions received in the six month period between June and December 2015.

Contracting Governments may wish to note a significant contribution of AUD \$1,491,000 (equivalent to £758,325 British Pounds) to the IWC's Southern Ocean Research Partnership to fund non-lethal research projects on whales in the Southern Ocean (including AUD 500,000 earmarked for projects relating to whales and krill), and a separate contribution of AUD \$200,000 (£103,409 British Pounds) to support institutional and governance reform.

Further contributions are always welcome from Contracting Governments and Non-Governmental Organisations. Any Governments or organisations considering making a contribution are encouraged to contact secretariat@iwc.int for further information.

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Executive Secretary

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