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Report of the Expert Panel Workshop on the Proposed Research Plan for New Scientific Whale Research Programme in the western North Pacific (NEWREP-NP) and Response to the Report

We are pleased to inform you that the Report of the Expert Panel Workshop on the Proposed Research Plan for New Scientific Whale Research Programme in the western North Pacific (NEWREP-NP) that took place in Tokyo from 30 January to 3 February 2017 is attached. The Report will be presented to the upcoming IWC Scientific Committee meeting as document SC/67a/Rep01.

In accord with Annex P, a response to the report by the proponents has been received and is also attached. This is document SC/67a/SCSP01.

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