



INTERNATIONAL  
WHALING COMMISSION

The Red House  
135 Station Road  
Impington, Cambridge  
CB24 9NP, UK

t. +44 (0) 1223 233971  
f. +44 (0) 1223 232876  
e. [secretariat@iwc.int](mailto:secretariat@iwc.int)  
[www.iwc.int](http://www.iwc.int)

SB/JAC/32323  
30 June 2017

Circular Communication to Commissioners and Contracting Governments  
**IWC.CCG.1266**

**Withdrawal of Republic of Guatemala from the Convention**

Circular Communication IWC.CCG.1247 of 04 January 2017 notified Contracting Governments of Guatemala's decision to withdraw from the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling (1946) and its protocol (1956) effective from June 30, 2017.

This Communication confirms that the Republic of Guatemala's withdrawal is now effective, and consequently the Commission's membership stands at 87 Contracting Parties.

The Status of the Convention document can be viewed either directly through the IWC website or by clicking on the link below:

<http://www.state.gov/s/l/treaty/depositary/index.htm>

Simon Brockington  
Executive Secretary

*c.c. Accredited observers to the IWC*

---

*Chair: Dr Joji Morishita (Japan)  
Vice-Chair: Mr Andrej Bibic (Slovenia)  
Executive Secretary: Dr Simon Brockington*