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## Circular Communication to Commissioners, Contracting Governments and Members of the Scientific Committee IWC.ALL.305

## Dr Rebecca Lent – Confirmation of appointment as IWC Executive Secretary

Circular Communication IWC.CCG.1276 instigated the postal ballot to seek Commission approval for the Bureau's selection of Dr Rebecca Lent as the new IWC Executive Secretary. I am delighted to confirm that the required number of votes has been achieved and therefore Dr Lent's appointment is formally endorsed.

A provisional start date of 02 January 2018 has been discussed. Confirmation and further details will follow as soon as possible. In the meantime, I am sure all Commissioners will join members of the Bureau and the Secretariat in welcoming Dr Lent to the IWC.

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Chair, International Whaling Commission

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