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Joint Statement on the issuing of Special Permits for whaling in the Southern Ocean in 2018

Please find the attached joint statement agreed by Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, the EU and its Member States, Mexico, New Zealand, Panama, Peru and Uruguay, responding to Japan's issuing of special permits for whaling in the Southern Ocean this austral summer (Circular IWC.ALL.306).

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