



Circular Communication to Commissioners. Contracting Governments and
Members of the Scientific Committee
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Provisional Agendas and other documents circulated in advance of IWC67

This Circular informs IWC Contracting Members, Observers and members of the Scientific Committee that the Annotated Agendas for the Plenary and Sub-committee meetings at IWC67 are now available through the website at <https://iwc.int/iwc67>. In addition, the Secretariat has posted all the proposed Schedule Amendments and Resolutions received in time for the 12 July deadline (Rules of Procedure Section J).

The Provisional Agendas are available for:

- IWC67 Plenary (IWC/67/GEN/01)
- Finance and Administration Committee (IWC/67/FA/GEN/01)
- Conservation Committee (IWC/67/CC/GEN/01)
- Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee (IWC/67/ASW/GEN/01)
- Infractions Sub-committee (IWC/67/INF/GEN/01)
- Budgetary Sub-committee (IWC/67/BSC/GEN/01)
- Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Welfare Issues (IWC/67/WKMWI/GEN/01)

The following proposals have been received:

Schedule Amendments:

- 1) Proposed Schedule Amendment on Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling. Submitted by the Kingdom of Denmark, Russian Federation, St. Vincent the Grenadines and the United States of America. (IWC/67/01)
[Note: in accordance with the pilot use of a timetable for ASW quota requests, endorsed at IWC66¹ and the Commission Rules of Procedure, this was provided by 12 June 2018 (90 days before the Commission plenary meeting)].
- 2) Proposed Schedule Amendment to Create a South Atlantic Whale Sanctuary, submitted by Brazil. This document is supported by IWC/67/10 which describes the objectives and management plan for the proposed Sanctuary (IWC/67/09)
- 3) Proposed Schedule Amendment for setting catch limits for certain whale species, submitted by Japan. This Schedule Amendment is part of a package of documents on The Way Forward for the IWC – an IWC Reform Proposal (IWC/67/08)

¹ Report of the 66th meeting of the International Whaling Commission pp. 16-18

Resolutions:

- 1) Draft Resolution on Anthropogenic Underwater Noise, submitted by Austria on behalf of EU Member States (IWC/67/05)
- 2) Draft Resolution on Food Security, submitted by Antigua and Barbuda, Cambodia, Ghana and Guinea (IWC/67/07)
- 3) Draft Resolution on Way Forward of the IWC, submitted by Japan. This Resolution is part of a package of documents (see Schedule Amendments, above) (IWC/67/08)
- 4) Draft Resolution on Ghost Gear Entanglement Among Cetaceans, submitted by Brazil (IWC/67/11)
- 5) Draft Resolution on the 2030 Agenda, submitted by Brazil (IWC/67/12)
- 6) Draft Resolution proposing 'The Florianopolis Declaration on the Role of the International Whaling Commission in the Conservation and Management of Whales in the 21st Century', submitted by Brazil (IWC/67/13)
- 7) Draft Resolution on the Response to the Independent Review of the IWC, submitted by Argentina, Australia and Austria on behalf of the EU Member States (IWC/67/14)
- 8) Draft Resolution on the Allocation of Aboriginal Whaling Quotas for Greenland, submitted by the Dominican Republic (IWC/67/15)

Proposals to amend the Commission's Rules of Procedure or Financial Regulations have also been submitted for the attention of the Finance and Administration Committee:

- Proposed amendments to the Scientific Committee Rules of Procedure and Scientific Committee Handbook (IWC/67/FA/02 and 03)
- Proposed amendment relevant to Conservation Committee meetings (IWC/67/FA/01)
- Proposed amendment to the Voluntary Conservation Fund financial regulations (IWC/67/FA/04)
- Proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure relevant to the package of documents on The Way Forward – a Proposal for IWC Reform (IWC/67/08)

Finance and Administration

The following Plenary documents are available:

Financial Statements for the 12 months to 31 December 2016 (IWC/67/02)

Financial Statements for the 12 months to 31 December 2017 (IWC/67/03)

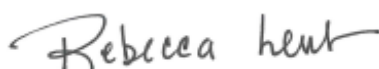
Commentary on the 2016 and 2017 Commission Accounts (IWC/67/04)

IWC Budget Strategy – 2019/20 (IWC/67/06)

Notes

In addition, the Secretariat has posted the draft report from the Standing Working Group on Special Permits (IWC/67/16). Note that comments will be accepted on this document over the next 30 days. Kindly send your comments to the IWC Secretariat (secretariat@iwc.int) prior to 12 August 2018.

In accordance with Commission Rule of Procedure J4, Contracting Members are requested to send written comments relating on the Proposed Schedule Amendment on Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling (proposed ASW catch/strike limit requests) to secretariat@iwc.int by 11 August 2018 (at least 30 days before the first day of Commission plenary).



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