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**Comments by Government of Japan on the proposed South Atlantic Whale Sanctuary**

Circular Communication IWC.ALL.203 of 12 December 2013 drew attention to an international workshop on the proposed South Atlantic Sanctuary that will be organised by the Government of Brazil in March 2014. Communication IWC.ALL.207 of 26 February subsequently provided an updated agenda for the workshop.

The Government of Japan has indicated that it is unable to attend the workshop, and so has provided its comments in writing with a request for the Secretariat to circulate them to all Commissioners. The comments can be found in the attached document.

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