

29th Annual Meeting, 1977
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IWC Resolution 1977-7
Prevention of importation of whale products

WHEREAS it is the purpose of the International Whaling Commission to provide for the effective worldwide conservation and management of stocks,

WHEREAS the said Commission has adopted a New Management Procedure to carry out that purpose,

WHEREAS the said Commission recognises that the effective implementation of its worldwide conservation and management programme requires the participation and support of all whaling nations,

WHEREAS several non-member nations continue to harvest whales outside the regulatory regime of the Commission,

WHEREAS the Commission has previously addressed appeals to these non-member nations urging them to join the Commission and abide by its decisions under the New Management Procedure,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the International Whaling Commission to renew its invitation to these non-member whaling nations to join the Commission;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the member nations should actively seek to encourage membership by all non-member whaling nations, and should take all necessary steps, including such amendments to their laws and regulations as may be required, to prevent the import into their countries of whale products from non-member nations, in the interest of ensuring effective conservation and management of whale stocks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Commissioners shall report to the 30th Annual Meeting of the Commission on measures they have taken to implement this Resolution.