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Subject: Offer for hosting the International Whaling Commission Meeting and its Committees in 2017

Dear Mr Brockington,

Slovenia offered its capacities to host the 65th B and 66th B Meeting of the Scientific Committee to the International Whaling Commission in 2014 and 2016. We received very positive replies from a huge number of participants, and from all sides involved in organisation of the meetings. Therefore, we are again offering to host the 67th A Meeting of the Scientific Committee to the International Whaling Commission from 7 to 21 May 2017 in the Sava Resorts & Hotels in Bled.

We will do our best to provide again very good working conditions to your team, to all the delegations and scientists from all over the world. We will provide you also with opportunities to experience natural beauties of Slovenia.

Organisation of this meeting is supported by our Ministry for the Environment and Spatial Planning, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and by the Sava Resorts & Hotels. A joint letter is enclosed expressing the interest of all the mentioned organisations in hosting this meeting.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my continuous support to you and your team for all your efforts to keep the IWC operational.

Yours sincerely,


Irena MAJCEN
MINISTER



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LETTER OF INTENT

The signatories of the present Letter of Intent would like to express their interest in the organisation and hosting of the:

**67th A Meeting of the Scientific Committee of the International Whaling Commission
from 7 to 21 May 2017 in Bled, Slovenia.**

The 67th A Meeting of the IWC Scientific Committee is a 12-14 day event with a few additional pre-meeting days. It will attract around 150-200 participants, especially scientists and government representatives from all over the world.

In the event industry, the Jupiter Convention Centre at Sava Hotels in Bled is one of the major players in SE Europe. It is an ideal choice of venue for such an important and high-profile international meeting. By hosting the 65th B and 66th B Meeting of the IWC Scientific Committee in May 2014 and in June 2016, the Centre and its professional and highly dedicated staff already demonstrated the skills needed for the organisation of major international events, providing high quality service and comfortable accommodation.

The organisation of such important events cannot take place without close cooperation and collaboration between the organisers, state institutions and the business sector. On these grounds and following our successful collaboration in 2014 and 2016 we have decided to renew our partnership attested by the signatures to this Letter of Intent for the organisation of the 67th A Meeting.

According to the Act ratifying the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia - International Treaties No. 15-75/2006), the signatories agree that Minister Irena Majcen, responsible for the implementation of the Act, submits the present Letter of Intent to the Secretariat of the International Whaling Commission.

We look forward to welcoming you again for the 67th A Meeting of the Scientific Committee of the International Whaling Commission in Bled.

Bled / Ljubljana, 29.7.2016

Renata Balažic, Chairman of the Board, Sava Turizem d.o.o.

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