Annex C

Agenda

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- 1.1 Welcome Address
- 1.2 Opening Statements
- 1.3 Secretary's Report on Credentials and Voting Rights
- 1.4 Meeting Arrangements
- 1.5 Review of Documents

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

- 3.1 Main Recommendations
- 3.2 Future Work Plan

4. CONSERVATION COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

- 4.1 Strategic Plan
- 4.2 Main Recommendations and Work Plan

5. PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE SCHEDULE

5.1 Proposal for the establishment of a South Atlantic Whale Sanctuary

6. RESOLUTIONS

- 6.1 Enhancing the Effectiveness of the International Whaling Commission
- 6.2 Improving the Review Process for Whaling under Special Permit
- 6.3 Resolution on Food Security
- 6.4 Resolution on the Creation of a Fund to Strengthen the Capacity of Governments of Limited Means to Participate in the Work of the International Whaling Commission
- 6.5 Cetaceans and Ecosystem Services
- 6.6 Resolution on the Minamata Convention
- 6.7 Resolution on Vaquita Convention

7. ABORIGINAL SUBSISTENCE WHALING

- 7.1 Report of the Ad-hoc Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Working Group
 - 7.1.1 Working group report
 - 7.1.2 Report of the 2015 IWC Expert workshop on Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling
 - 7.1.3 Invited speaker on indigenous people's rights
- 7.2 Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Management Procedure
 - 7.2.1 Report of the Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee
- 7.3 Aboriginal Whaling Scheme
- 7.3.1 Report of the Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee
- 7.4 Annual reviews of aboriginal subsistence whaling catch limits
 - 7.4.1 Bering-Chukchi-Beaufort Seas stock of bowhead whales
 - 7.4.2 North Pacific Eastern stock of gray whales
 - 7.4.3 Common minke whale stocks off east and west Greenland
 - 7.4.4 West Greenland stock of fin whales
 - 7.4.5 West Greenland stock of bowhead whales
 - 7.4.6 Humpback whales off West Greenland
 - 7.4.7 North Atlantic humpback whales off St. Vincent and The Grenadines
- 7.5 Status of the voluntary fund for Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling

8. SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS AND SMALL TYPE WHALING

9. CETACEAN STATUS AND HEALTH

- 9.1 Whale Stocks
 - 9.1.1 Antarctic minke whales
- 9.1.2 Southern Hemisphere humpback whales

- 9.1.3 Southern Hemisphere blue whales
- 9.1.4 Western North Pacific gray whales
- 9.1.5 Southern Hemisphere right whales
- 9.1.6 North Pacific and North Atlantic right whales and small stocks of bowhead whales
- 9.1.7 International Research Cruises
- 9.1.8 Other stocks
- 9.1.9 Summary of agreed whale abundance estimates
- 9.2 Small Cetaceans
 - 9.2.1 Concerns over status
 - 9.2.2 Progress with projects undertaken through the IWC Voluntary Fund
- 9.3 Cetacean Health and Disease
- 9.4 Stock definition and DNA testing

10. CETACEAN HABITAT

- 10.1 State of the Cetacean Environment (SOCER)
- 10.2 Ecosystem modelling
- 10.3 Arctic Ocean
- 10.4 Climate Change
- 10.5 Decadal Review of the Southern Ocean Sanctuary

11. UNINTENDED ANTHROPOGENIC IMPACTS

- 11.1 POLLUTION 2000+ research programme
- 11.2 Marine Debris
- 11.3 Cetacean bycatch
- 11.4 Anthropogenic sound
- 11.5 Ship Strikes

12. THE IWC IN THE FUTURE

13. WHALE KILLING METHODS AND WELFARE ISSUES

- 13.1 Summary of data provided on whales killed
- 13.2 Improving the humaneness of whaling operations
 - 13.2.1 Reports from IWC Contracting Governments
 - 13.2.2 Report of the 2015 NAMMCO Expert group meeting
- 13.3 Whale Welfare

13.3.1 Report of the IWC workshop on non-hunting aspects of cetacean welfare

- 13.3.2 Engagement of other organisations and experts on issues relating to cetacean welfare
- 13.4 Welfare issues associated with the entanglement of large whales
 - 13.2.1 Report of the third IWC expert workshop on large whale entanglement issues
 - 13.4.2 Report of the joint expert workshop on large whale entanglement and bycatch reduction 13.4.3 Secretariat's progress report
- 13.5 Strandings Response

13.5.1 Report of the IWC workshop to develop practical guidance for the handling of cetacean stranding events

13.5.2 Scientific Committee recommendations on strandings

14. SCIENTIFIC PERMITS

- 14.1 NEWREP-A
- 14.2 JARPN II
- 14.3 Procedures used by the Scientific Committee for reviewing special permits
- 14.4 Other
- 15. SAFETY AT SEA

16. OTHER CONSERVATION ISSUES

- 16.1 Conservation Management Plans
 - 16.1.1 Western Pacific gray whale
 - 16.1.2 South-west Atlantic southern right whale
 - 16.1.3 South-east Pacific southern right whale
 - 16.1.4 Additional CMP proposals
 - 16.1.5 Progress Report by the CMP Standing Working Group

- 16.2 Whale watching
 - 16.2.1 Report from the joint workshop on capacity building for whale and dolphin watching in the Indian Ocean Region
 - 16.2.2 Progress report by the whale watching Standing Working Group
- 16.3 National Reports on Cetacean Conservation
- 16.4 Regional Research Partnerships16.4.1 Southern Ocean Research Partnership16.4.2 Status of the voluntary fund
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- 17. OTHER MANAGEMENT ISSUES
 - 17.1 Revised Management Procedure
 - 17.1.1 General issues
 - 17.1.2 Implementation process
 - 17.2 Infractions
 - 17.3 Catches by non-member nations

18. CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

19. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- 19.1 Administrative matters
 - 19.1.1 IWC communications
 - 19.1.2 IWC document archiving
 - 19.1.3 Reporting of confidential communications
 - 19.1.4 Meeting arrangements
 - 19.2 Intersessional Working Groups
 - 19.2.1 Operational effectiveness and cost saving measures
 - 19.2.2 Strengthening IWC financing
 - 19.2.3 Provision of options to Governments of limited means to participate in the
 - Commission's work
 - 19.2.4 Website guidance
 - 19.2.5 Development of the Scientific Committee's rules of procedure
- 19.3 Financial contributions formula
- 19.4 Financial Statements
 - 19.4.1 Provisional financial statement for 2016
 - 19.4.2 Scientific committee work plan and research budget for 2017 and 2018
 - 19.4.3 Commission budget for 2017 and 2018
- 19.5 Budgetary Sub-committee operations and membership
- 19.6 Scientific Committee working methods

20. ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 20.1 2015 Report of the Scientific Committee (SC66a)
- 20.2 2016 Report of the Scientific Committee (SC66b)
- 20.3 Report of the Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Welfare Issues
- 20.4 Report of the Infractions Sub-committee
- 20.5 Report of the Budgetary Sub-committee
- 20.6 Report of the Conservation Committee
- 20.7 Report of the Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee
- 20.8 Report of the Finance and Administration Committee
- **21. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**
 - 21.1 Election of Chair
 - 21.2 Election of Vice-Chair
- 22. BUREAU MEMBERSHIP
- 23. TIMING AND VENUE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS
- 24. OTHER MATTERS
- 25. ADOPTION OF SUMMARY OF MAIN OUTCOMES, DECISIONS AND REQUIRED ACTIONS FROM THE 66th MEETING
 - 25.1 Adoption of summary of outcomes, decisions and required actions
 - 25.2 Chair's closing remark