

ADDENDUM 1

SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS

(arising from ScC-SC6)

**REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONCERTED ACTION
FOR THE HUMPBACK WHALES (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) OF THE ARABIAN SEA**

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RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP14

Recommended for extension.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

- The Scientific Council recommended that the Concerted Action be extended, as suggested in the report.
- The Scientific Council expressed its thanks to the Arabian Sea Whale Network for the progress made as well as its strong support for the proposed renewal of the Concerted Action, with activities as outlined in Annex 1.
- It was noted that this was a priority species for the International Whaling Commission and a candidate for a Conservation and Management Plan, on which it was hoped IWC and CMS could move forward jointly.