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CALL FOR INFORMATION IN FOLLOW-UP OF CMS RESOLUTION 9.19 ON OCEAN NOISE IMPACTS – RESPONSES RECEIVED

(Prepared by the CMS Secretariat)

- 1. The Resolution on Ocean Noise Impacts adopted at the 9th Meeting of the Conference of Parties to CMS in December 2008 (Resolution 9.19) requests the Scientific Council (paragraph 3) to develop voluntary guidelines on noise-generating activities for presentation to COP10. To avoid duplication of work, these should take into account existing national or international protocols, guidelines and provisions and should be presented to CMS COP10.
- 2. In order to enable the Scientific Council to fulfil this mandate, the CMS Secretariat has written to Parties and relevant other international bodies to invite them to share any relevant national protocols, guidelines or provisions for the management of anthropogenic noise in the marine environment or those required by other fora that the country participates in.
- 3. In parallel, the Secretariat has written to relevant CMS daughter agreements and other fora to ask for copies of any such protocols, guidelines or provisions that have been developed under their auspices or have been endorsed in their fora.
- 4. Responses received before the Council Meeting are being published under this document number as consecutively numbered information documents for the Council's information.