ADDENDUM 1

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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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(ScC-SC6 Agenda item 14.2.3)

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP14

ScC-SC6 recommended that the Concerted Action be extended, as suggested in the report.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

- The Aquatic Working Group 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.

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

No comments.