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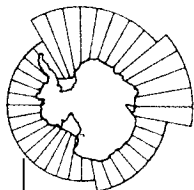
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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Members are reminded of the requirement to submit data from surveys of (i) beached marine debris, (ii) entanglement of marine mammals in marine debris, (iii) marine debris associated with seabird colonies, and (iv) seabirds and marine mammals soiled with hydrocarbons.

All outstanding current and retrospective data from these surveys should now be submitted to the Secretariat. A summary of marine debris data submitted by Members and currently held in the database is attached for reference purposes.

Members are reminded that only data collected in accordance with the standard forms and instructions adopted at CCAMLR-XX will be accepted by the Secretariat and entered into the marine debris database. All forms and instructions are available on the CCAMLR website (Scientific Committee > Marine Debris > Standard forms, methods and instructions).

Only data submitted by the deadline of 1 August 2003 will be entered into the database and used by the Secretariat for the preparation of its annual report on the status and trends shown in the data reported from marine debris surveys.

Members who conduct standardised quantitative surveys from vessels of debris at sea are invited to advise the Secretariat of such surveys, their design and the data collected.

for Dr D.G.M. Miller
Executive Secretary

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Summary of marine debris data submitted by Members and currently held in the database.

Member	Survey Area	Frequency of Data Submission	Dates of Data Submission
Beached Marine Debris Surveys			
Chile	Cape Shirreff	Annually	1993–1997
Norway	Bouvet Island	Infrequently	1997 and 2002
UK	Bird Island	Annually	1989–2001
	Candlemas Island	Single survey	1997
	Saunders Island	Single survey	1997
	Signy Island	Annually	1991–2002
USA	Ardley Island	Single survey	1996
	Bahia Sepultura	Single survey	1996
	Puerto Paraiso	Single survey	1996
Uruguay	King George Island	Annually	2001–2002
Marine Mammal Entanglement Surveys			
Norway	Bouvet Island	Single survey	2002
UK	Bird Island	Annually	1991–2002
	Signy Island	Annually	1997–2002
Uruguay	King George Island	Single survey	2002
Marine Debris Associated with Seabird Colonies			
No Data Submitted			
Seabirds and Marine Mammals Soiled with Hydrocarbons			
No Data Submitted			