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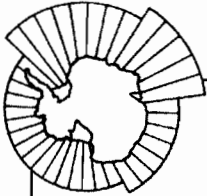
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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Members are referred to COMM CIRC 06/82 and SC CIRC 06/27 of 14 July 2006 inviting Members to attend the forthcoming annual meetings of the Commission and the Scientific Committee at the new CCAMLR Headquarters, 181 Macquarie Street, Hobart, Australia, from 23 October to 3 November 2006.

The Provisional Agendas and Provisional Annotated Agendas for both the Commission and the Scientific Committee are attached. A revised Proposed Schedule for the meetings is also attached. Social functions are listed on the Schedule with further information to be provided in due course. Details on the meeting venue and facilities, registration and accommodation were included in the Information Note attached to the abovementioned circular.

Members are reminded that, as they become available, meeting documents will be placed on the password-protected Commission and Scientific Committee 'Members Only' pages of the website (www.ccamlr.org). Guidelines for the submission of papers to both the Commission and Scientific Committee meetings are available on the website.

Members are also reminded to advise the Secretariat, as soon as possible, of the names of their representative, alternative representative(s) and adviser(s) to both the Commission and Scientific Committee. Overseas participants travelling to Hobart to attend CCAMLR meetings are urged to pay particular attention to the Australian visa requirements set out in COMM CIRC 06/63 and SC CIRC 06/23. This information is also available on the 'Members Only' pages of the website.

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Executive Secretary

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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING
OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF ANTARCTIC MARINE LIVING RESOURCES**

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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 2006 MEETING
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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 2006 MEETING
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IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE (SCIC)**

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3. Review of compliance and implementation-related measures and policies
 - (i) Compliance with conservation measures in force
 - (ii) Compliance evaluation procedure
 - (iii) Proposals for new and revised measures
4. Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS)
5. Scheme of International Scientific Observation
6. Election of the Chair of the Committee
7. Other business
8. Advice to the Commission
9. Advice to SCAF
10. Adoption of the report
11. Close of the meeting.

**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE
TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE
CONSERVATION OF ANTARCTIC MARINE LIVING RESOURCES¹**

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting will open at 0900 h on Monday, 23 October 2006.

The Chair of the Commission (Prof. Seo-hang Lee, Republic of Korea) will welcome delegates from CCAMLR Members as well as observers from CCAMLR Acceding States. The Chair will also welcome observers from non-Contracting Parties and international organisations invited in accordance with the decision taken last year (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 19.1 and 19.2).

The Chair will introduce His Excellency the Honourable William Cox AC RFD ED, Governor of Tasmania, who will address the meeting.

2. Organisation of the meeting

Directly following the opening of the meeting, the Chair will deal with procedural matters only before adjourning the Commission to allow the Scientific Committee, SCAF and SCIC to carry out their work.

(i) Adoption of the agenda

The Preliminary Agenda for the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Commission was prepared and distributed on 14 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 15 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. In the absence of any suggested changes, this became the Provisional Agenda and has been distributed as such in accordance with Rule 17 of the Rules of Procedure.

The annotated agendas of SCAF and SCIC are appended.

¹ Abbreviations used throughout this agenda are SCAF (Standing Committee on Administration and Finance), SCIC (Standing Committee on Implementation and Compliance) and JAG (Joint Assessment Group).

(ii) Report of the Chair

The Chair will report on intersessional activities.

3. Finance and administration

(i) Report of SCAF

The Annotated Agenda of the SCAF meeting is given in Appendix A. The report of the meeting will be introduced by its Chair. The detailed findings and recommendations of the report will be considered by the Commission under subitems (ii) to (viii) below, as well as under other relevant agenda items.

(ii) Audited Financial Statements for 2005

The Commission will decide whether to accept the audited Financial Statements for 2005 in accordance with Financial Regulation 12.1.

(iii) Audit requirement for the 2006 Financial Statements

The Commission will determine whether a full audit of the 2006 Financial Statements will be required or whether a review audit alone will be sufficient.

(iv) Secretariat matters

The Commission will receive the advice of SCAF on various financial and administrative matters affecting the Secretariat since CCAMLR-XXIV.

(v) Contingency Fund

The SCAF Chair will report to the Commission any requests for use of the Contingency Fund.

(vi) Special funds

The Commission will receive the advice of SCAF, SCIC and the CDS Fund Review Panel on the use of the CDS Fund and other special funds during the 2005/06 intersessional period, and on any proposals received for use of the funds over the forthcoming intersessional period.

(vii) Budgets for 2006, 2007 and 2008

Based on advice from SCAF, the Commission will consider proposed changes to the adopted budget for 2006, adopt the budget for 2007 and note a forecast budget for 2008.

(viii) Members' contributions

Following its request last year (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.23), the Commission will receive advice from SCAF on the application of Financial Regulation 5.6 on the timing of Members' contribution payments.

(ix) Reports of Members' Activities

At CCAMLR-XXIV, the Commission considered a report from SCAF and the Scientific Committee advising that the Reports of Members' Activities were no longer required in the work of the Scientific Committee or that of its working groups (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.7). The Commission did not take a decision on whether such reports should continue to be required or which of their contents should be made publicly available.

4. Scientific Committee

The Chair of the Scientific Committee will introduce the report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Scientific Committee containing advice and recommendations to the Commission in accordance with the Convention's objectives. The Commission will consider the general recommendations, advice, research and data requirements of the Scientific Committee.

The Commission will also consider substantive matters related to ecosystem monitoring and management, harvested species, scientific research exemption, Secretariat supported activities, publications and the Scientific Committee's activities planned for 2006/07. This will include advice and recommendations on:

- krill fishing in the 2005/06 season (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.21 to 4.33);
- a policy governing the presentation and publication of aggregated fine-scale data (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 4.62; COMM CIRC 06/36);
- further development of ways to reduce the size of the report of WG-FSA (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 4.74);
- activities of the CCAMLR-IPY Group (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.76 to 4.80);
- the Joint CCAMLR-IWC Workshop to review information required for ecosystem models being developed to provide management advice on krill predators in the Antarctic marine ecosystem (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 4.81);
- future activities of the Scientific Committee and the consolidation of the work for its working groups (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.68 and 4.69).

Other substantive matters arising from the Scientific Committee will be discussed under other parts of the Commission's agenda: assessment and avoidance of incidental mortality (item 5); marine protected areas (item 6); IUU fishing (item 9); Scheme of International Scientific Observation (item 10); new and exploratory fisheries (item 11); fisheries management and conservation under conditions of uncertainty (item 13); cooperation with other international organisations (item 16); and participation in the International Polar Year (item 20(i)).

5. Assessment and avoidance of incidental mortality

The Commission's discussions will be conducted under the following subitems and will take account of the Scientific Committee's advice and recommendations.

(i) Marine debris

The Commission will consider the advice of the Scientific Committee on the biological impact of marine debris, and on the evaluation of scientific data from Members' surveys of beached marine debris and from observations of the incidence and impact of marine debris on marine living resources in the Convention Area.

(ii) Incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals during fishing operations

The Scientific Committee's report will contain advice on the incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals during fishing operations.

In particular, the Scientific Committee will report on recent seabird and marine mammal research, developments in by-catch mitigation methods, education initiatives, cooperation with RFMOs and other subjects of importance to the elimination of incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals in CCAMLR fisheries. Compliance with Conservation Measures 25-02 'Minimisation of the incidental mortality of seabirds in the course of longline fishing or longline fishing research in the Convention Area' and 25-03 'Minimisation of the incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals in the course of trawl fishing in the Convention Area' will be reviewed.

6. Marine Protected Areas

Following discussions at CCAMLR-XXIV, the Commission will consider recent progress in addressing considerations attached to the question of Marine Protected Areas in the Convention Area (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.12 to 4.18). The discussion will consider:

- (i) Current activities**
- (ii) Future developments.**

7. Implementation and compliance

(i) Report of SCIC

The Annotated Agenda of the SCIC meeting is given in Appendix B. The Chair of SCIC will introduce the report of the Committee's meeting, and detailed findings and recommendations will be considered by the Commission under subitems (ii) and (iii) below, as well as under other relevant agenda items.

(ii) Compliance with conservation measures

The Commission will review SCIC's advice on the implementation of compliance-related provisions of conservation measures in force.

(iii) Compliance evaluation procedure

The Commission will receive advice from SCIC on the intersessional work to develop a procedure for evaluating compliance with conservation measures in force (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 6.9 to 6.11).

8. Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp. (CDS)

(i) Report of SCIC

The relevant advice from SCIC on the operation and performance of the CDS will be presented and the subitems below will be addressed.

(ii) CDS annual report

The operation of the CDS in 2005/06 will be reviewed. The Commission will consider the advice received from SCIC and decide whether any aspect of the CDS requires revision in order to improve its efficiency.

(iii) E-CDS

The Commission will review the ongoing development and use of the E-CDS and intersessional work undertaken on its improvement (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 2.9 and Annex 5, paragraph 4.8).

9. Illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing in the Convention Area

(i) Reports of SCIC and JAG

The relevant advice from SCIC in relation to IUU fishing will be presented and the subitems below will be addressed. In addition, any advice forthcoming from the intersessional meeting of JAG (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 8.3 to 8.6 and Annex 7) will be considered.

(ii) Current level of IUU fishing

The Commission will consider the current levels and trends in IUU fishing activities in the Convention Area as reported by the Secretariat and considered by WG-FSA, the Scientific Committee, SCIC and JAG. The Commission will also consider whether the current compliance-related conservation measures effectively meet CCAMLR's objectives on the elimination of IUU fishing in the Convention Area.

The Commission will also consider JAG's advice on reviewing and developing an improved methodology for estimating total removals of toothfish, including estimation of IUU catches (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 8.3 to 8.5 and Annex 7).

(iii) Review of current measures aimed at eliminating IUU fishing

The Commission will consider the advice of SCIC on the implementation of Conservation Measures 10-06 'Scheme to promote compliance by Contracting Party vessels with CCAMLR conservation measures' and 10-07 'Scheme to promote compliance by non-Contracting Party vessels with CCAMLR conservation measures'. In particular, the Commission will consider SCIC's advice on the IUU Vessel Lists adopted in 2005 and the Proposed IUU Vessel

Lists for 2006. The IUU Vessel Lists for 2006 will be adopted. The Commission will also consider any developments in respect of efforts by Members and the Secretariat to engage non-Contracting Parties on the issue of IUU fishing (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 8.8 to 8.17).

The Commission will also consider progress on analyses aimed at assessing whether current CCAMLR conservation measures meet all the FAO IPOA-IUU's requirements (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 8.18).

10. Scheme of International Scientific Observation

A summary of scientific observations undertaken in the 2005/06 season will be presented.

The Commission will receive advice from the Scientific Committee on the implementation of the scheme and consider actions recommended by SCIC and the Scientific Committee to ensure that the scheme continues to meet its objectives and operates in the most efficient and effective way.

11. New and exploratory fisheries

Last year the Commission approved exploratory fisheries for toothfish in Subareas 48.6, 88.1 and 88.2 and Divisions 58.4.1, 58.4.2, 58.4.3a and 58.4.3b in the 2005/06 season (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 10.4 to 10.29). There were no notifications for new fisheries in 2005/06. The Commission will review the operation of these fisheries and the management measures in force.

The Commission will consider notifications from Members for new and exploratory fisheries in the 2006/07 season, received in accordance with Conservation Measures 21-01 'Notification that Members are considering initiating a new fishery' and 21-02 'Exploratory fisheries' respectively.

The Commission will consider the Scientific Committee's advice and recommendations relating to new and exploratory fisheries, including:

- developments in the tagging and research requirements in exploratory fisheries (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 10.7 to 10.10);

- submission of indicative fishing plans including projected timings for fishing in different areas where individual vessels notified for new or exploratory fisheries in more than one subarea or division (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 10.7(iii));
- review of catch limits in SSRUs (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 10.16);
- further development of CCAMLR's regulatory framework, including the steps required for moving from new and exploratory fisheries to assessed fisheries (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 10.21);
- progress in identifying vulnerable deepsea habitats, including deep-sea corals, which may require protection from fishing (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 10.23).

12. Conservation measures

(i) Review of existing measures

The Commission will review existing conservation measures in the light of the Scientific Committee's advice and experience gained by Members in implementing measures in the 2005/06 season.

The Commission will consider SCIC's advice on work undertaken on the development of methods for assessing compliance with conservation measures and plans for future work.

Where appropriate, the Secretariat will report on proposals for the revision of existing measures which were prepared intersessionally in consultation with Members.

(ii) Consideration of new measures and other conservation requirements

Conservation measures not already addressed in the course of the Commission's deliberations under other agenda items or under subitem 12(i) will be discussed under this subitem. It will include, in particular, consolidation of environmental protection-related provisions of the fishery regulation measures within a single conservation measure (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 11.100).

**13. Fisheries management and conservation
under conditions of uncertainty**

The Commission will consider advice provided by the Scientific Committee.

14. Data access and security

The Commission will keep under review the access and security of CCAMLR data.

15. Cooperation with other elements of the Antarctic Treaty System

(i) Cooperation with Antarctic Treaty Consultative Parties

CCAMLR was represented at the Twenty-ninth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Party Meeting (ATCM-XXIX) (June 2006, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK). The Executive Secretary will report on the meeting.

The Chair of the Scientific Committee participated in the Ninth Meeting of the Committee on Environmental Protection (CEP-IX), and will provide a report on the meeting.

Future cooperation and participation in the meetings of the ATCM and CEP in 2007 will be discussed.

(ii) Cooperation with SCAR

The report of the Scientific Committee will contain results of its deliberations on cooperation with SCAR.

In addition, the CCAMLR Observer to SCAR and the SCAR Observer to CCAMLR will be invited to report on recent SCAR initiatives of interest to CCAMLR.

Future cooperation and participation in the meetings of SCAR and its relevant subsidiary bodies in 2007 will be discussed.

(iii) Assessment of proposals for Antarctic Specially Protected Areas and Specially Managed Areas, which include marine areas

The Commission will consider the advice of the Scientific Committee on the assessment of draft management plans proposed under the Environmental Protocol to the Antarctic Treaty, for protected areas with marine area components, and submitted to CCAMLR for approval.

16. Cooperation with other international organisations

(i) Reports of observers from international organisations

The following international organisations have been invited to attend CCAMLR-XXV as observers: ACAP, ASOC, CCSBT, CEP, CITES, COLTO, CPPS, FAO, FFA, IATTC, ICCAT, IOC, IUCN, IWC, SCAR, SCOR, SEAFO, SPC and UNEP.

Their reports will have been tabled. Representatives of these and other organisations present at the meeting will be invited to present any key items from their reports.

(ii) Reports from CCAMLR representatives at meetings of international organisations in 2005/06

Reports from CCAMLR representatives at the 2005/06 meetings of various international organisations (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 15.30) will be received.

(iii) Cooperation with CITES

The Commission will review developments in cooperation between CCAMLR and CITES on matters of mutual interest, subject to CCAMLR-XXII, paragraphs 14.18 and 14.19.

(iv) Cooperation with CCSBT

The Commission will review developments in cooperation between CCAMLR and CCSBT following discussions at CCAMLR-XXIV (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 15.20 to 15.23).

(v) Partnership in FIRMS

CCAMLR–FIRMS activities will be reviewed (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 15.24 to 15.27).

(vi) Participation in CCAMLR meetings

Developments arising from discussions at CCAMLR-XXIV (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 15.28 and 15.29) will be considered.

**(vii) Nomination of representatives to meetings
of international organisations in 2006/07**

The Commission will nominate CCAMLR Observers to the 2006/07 meetings of international organisations with which CCAMLR shares a common interest. The Secretariat has compiled a timetable of future meetings of international organisations, to the extent that these are known. The Commission will also endorse similar nominations from the Scientific Committee.

17. Implementation of the objectives of the Convention

Since 1996 the Commission has agreed that specific reflection on the objectives of the Convention continues to be an important requisite of each annual meeting. The Commission will consider proposals submitted for discussion under this item. It will also consider any progress made with respect to the various strategic discussions highlighted at CCAMLR-XXIV as a consequence of the 2005 CCAMLR Symposium (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 16.11 to 16.18).

18. Election of Chair of the Commission

In accordance with Rule 8 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, a Commission Chair must be elected to serve from the conclusion of the CCAMLR-XXV until the conclusion of the Commission's 2008 meeting.

19. Next meeting

(i) Invitation of observers

Since 1994 the Commission has addressed the invitation of observers to its next meeting under this agenda item (CCAMLR-XIII, paragraph 13.7). Acceding States, non-Contracting Parties and international organisations to be invited to CCAMLR-XXVI will be identified.

(ii) Date and location

The Twenty-sixth Meeting of the Commission will be held at the CCAMLR Headquarters Building (181 Macquarie Street) in Hobart between 22 October and 2 November 2007.

20. Other business

(i) International Polar Year in 2007/08

The Commission will consider the Scientific Committee's report and advice on intersessional work in preparation for the 2008 synoptic survey of krill, pelagic fish and plankton biomass and biodiversity in the South Atlantic (Area 48). This work is a core project under the auspices of the International Polar Year in 2007/08 (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.76 to 4.80 and 20.1). The Commission will also consider progress with the lead project on Antarctic marine ecosystems studies which had been developed with a wider circum-Antarctic perspective than the CCAMLR-IPY core project.

(ii) CCAMLR Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration

The Convention will have been in force for 25 years on 7 April 2007. The Commission has agreed to consider issuing a 25-year celebratory statement to

this effect at CCAMLR-XXV (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 20.5). Consideration will be given to the content of this statement as well as other celebratory activities/items.

21. Report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Commission

The report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting will be considered and adopted.

22. Close of the meeting

The meeting is scheduled to close at 1600 h on Friday, 3 November 2006.

**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE 2006 MEETING
OF THE CCAMLR STANDING COMMITTEE ON
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (SCAF)**

1. Organisation of the meeting

The Committee will adopt its agenda and consider the optimum way to address it, given the time available and the requirements of SCIC. In an attempt to relieve the time pressure on SCIC, the Heads of Delegation meeting on Sunday 22 October 2006 may change SCAF's working schedule for this year.

2. Examination of audited Financial Statements for 2005

As required by the Commission, the Auditor performed a review audit on the 2005 Financial Statements (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.3). No breaches of the Financial Regulations were reported. The Financial Statements, together with the associated audit report, will be presented for acceptance by the Commission. In this regard, note should also be taken of COMM CIRC's 06/32 and 06/59.

3. Audit requirement for the 2006 Financial Statements

Under the Financial Regulations, the Commission may authorise a full audit for the 2006 Financial Statements, or may decide that only a review audit will be required. As a full audit was carried out on both the 2003 and 2004 statements and the review audit of the 2005 Financial Statements revealed no breaches of the Financial Regulations, the provisional budget for 2007 assumes that a review only audit will be required for the 2006 statements.

4. Appointment of Auditor

In accordance with Financial Regulation 11.1, the Commission is required to appoint an auditor for the 2006 and 2007 Financial Statements. The Australian National Audit Office has assumed that responsibility in the past.

5. Secretariat Strategic Plan

The Secretariat Strategic Plan to support the work of the Commission and the Scientific Committee was presented to the Commission in 2002. The Commission determined that implementation of the plan would form the basis of the Executive Secretary's annual performance appraisal. The Executive Secretary will present any new developments in this regard.

6. Reports of Members' Activities

At CCAMLR-XXIV, the Commission considered a report from SCAF and the Scientific Committee advising that the Report of Members' Activities were no longer required in the work of the Scientific Committee or that of its working groups (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.7). The Commission did not take a decision on whether such reports should continue to be required or which of their contents should be made publicly available.

7. Education package

The Secretariat will report on the progress of this project.

8. Review of 2006 budget

The expected results of the 2006 budget will be presented for review.

9. Interpreting services for SCIC

At CCAMLR-XXIV, the Heads of Delegations requested the Secretariat to prepare a paper outlining the cost of providing interpreting services to SCIC (CCAMLR-XXIV, Annex 5, paragraph 7.1). The Committee will consider this paper and provide any necessary advice to the Commission.

10. Wireless computer network

Following a request from the Commission (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.28), the Secretariat will present a paper identifying the costs and benefits of establishing a wireless computer network together with any potential savings achieved.

11. Contingency Fund

As required by the agreed procedures (CCAMLR-XXI, Annex 4, paragraph 21), the Executive Secretary will report on expenditure from the Contingency Fund during the year, together with any other budgetary consequences.

12. Professional Staff salaries

No proposals have been submitted in respect of providing experts to review the Professional Staff salary structure. The Committee will consider how it may wish to proceed on this matter.

13. Budget for 2007

A draft budget for 2007 will be presented. This will be used to prepare a recommended budget for 2007, taking into account SCAF's discussions on financial and administrative issues, as well as advice from the Chairs of the Scientific Committee and SCIC.

(i) Scientific Committee budget

The Chair of the Scientific Committee will be invited to present the Scientific Committee's budget for 2007 and its forecast budget for 2008 so that these may be included in the Commission's overall budgets. She will also be invited to advise SCAF of any other Scientific Committee decisions which would affect the Commission's budget.

(ii) Advice from SCIC

The Chair of SCIC will be invited to present the financial implications of SCIC'S recommendations to the Commission for the Committee's consideration.

14. Multi-year funding of Scientific Committee tasks

At its 2004 meeting, the Commission endorsed the establishment and use of a Special Science Fund to enable deferral of funding to future years for certain Scientific Committee tasks. The Committee will consider any requests from the Scientific Committee for deferral of funds budgeted for expenditure in 2006 to 2007.

15. Members' contributions

(i) Timing of Members' contributions

When revising Financial Regulation 5.6 in 1999, the Commission modified the date by which annual contributions are required to be paid. This revision permits Members who advise their inability to meet the deadline set out in Regulation 5.6 to have an extended deadline of up to 90 days. The Commission has agreed that the Committee will continue to review this regulation and Members' compliance therewith. The Committee will also consider the need to retain the extended deadline for some Members in 2007.

(ii) Treatment of late payments

As requested by the Commission (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.23), the Secretariat will present a paper outlining the measures taken by similar organisations in their treatment of late payment of member contributions.

16. Forecast budget for 2008

The Committee will present a forecast budget for 2008 to the Commission for information purposes only.

17. CDS Fund

Any requests for expenditure from the CDS Fund are required to be submitted through the CDS Fund Review Panel (CCAMLR-XX, paragraphs 3.27 and 3.28). The Committee will receive the advice of the panel on expenditure from the fund since the 2005 meeting and proposals received for future expenditure from the fund.

18. Any other business

The Committee will discuss any other business which the Commission may wish to refer to it for consideration.

19. Adoption of the report

The Committee will adopt its report to the Commission.

20. Close of the meeting.

**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE 2006 MEETING
OF THE CCAMLR STANDING COMMITTEE ON
IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE (SCIC)**

1. Opening of the meeting

(i) Adoption of agenda

The agenda for the meeting will be considered and adopted.

(ii) Organisation of the meeting

The organisation of the meeting will be decided taking into account the time available and the proposed structure for the Committee's deliberations.

(iii) Review of submitted papers, reports and other presentations

The Secretariat will present a summary list of documents submitted to SCIC which will be subdivided by agenda item. The Committee will consider the list of papers and any additional presentations proposed by Members. The Committee will then prioritise discussion of papers taking into account the time available, the meeting workload and the agenda.

2. IUU fishing in the Convention Area

(i) Current level of IUU fishing

The Committee will consider the report on current levels of IUU catches in the Convention Area as prepared by the Secretariat taking into consideration the recommendations of JAG. The Committee will review the estimates of the current levels and trends in IUU fishing activities in the Convention Area and will consider whether the current enforcement measures effectively meet their objectives on the elimination of IUU fishing in the Convention Area. In particular, special attention will be paid to reports on gillnet fishing by IUU vessels in the Convention Area.

The Committee will consider whether the current set of CCAMLR conservation measures meets adequately all actions required under the FAO IPOA-IUU and will identify potential gaps (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 8.18).

(ii) Procedure for estimation of IUU catches

As decided by the Commission, the JAG Steering Group was established, and the meeting of JAG was held from 17 to 21 July 2006 in Namibia (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 8.3 to 8.5).

The Committee will consider the report of the JAG meeting, in particular, its recommendations on the development of a methodology for estimating total removals, including estimation of IUU catches. The Committee will discuss the organisation of future work of JAG, including periodicity of the JAG review of IUU catch estimates and associated priorities and a timetable.

(iii) IUU Vessel Lists

The Committee will review reports submitted by Contracting and non-Contracting Parties on measures they have taken to avoid any undermining of the effectiveness of CCAMLR conservation measures resulting from activities of their vessels included in the IUU Vessel Lists adopted in 2005.

The Committee will also review comments and information received on vessels included in the Provisional List of IUU vessels for 2006 in accordance with Conservation Measures 10-06 and 10-07.

The Committee will prepare recommendations to the Commission on vessels which should be removed from the IUU Vessel Lists adopted in 2005 and on vessels to be retained in the Provisional List of IUU Vessels for 2006.

The Committee will consider a report of the European Community on intersessional work undertaken on the development of criteria and procedures for the application of trade-related sanctions as specified, in particular, in Conservation Measures 10-06 and 10-07 (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 8.17). Any further work required on the subject will be discussed.

3. Review of compliance and implementation-related measures and policies

(i) Compliance with conservation measures in force

The Secretariat will present a summary of reports received from Members on the implementation of compliance-related provisions of conservation measures in force, including licensing of vessels, port inspections of Contracting and non-Contracting Party vessels, operation of the C-VMS, data submission requirements etc.

The Secretariat will also present a summary of at-sea inspections undertaken, the results of these inspections and comments received from Flag States. Flag States will be invited to present additional information, if any, with respect to inspections undertaken. The Committee will review the operation of the System of Inspection and consider any proposals received on the improvement of the system.

The Committee will review and assess Contracting Parties' implementation of, and compliance with, conservation and management measures adopted by the Commission.

(ii) Compliance evaluation procedure

The Secretariat will report on intersessional work directed at the development of a compliance evaluation procedure. In particular, the Committee will consider (CCAMLR-XXIV, Annex 5, paragraph 3.28):

- (i) key compliance elements in conservation measures identified by the Secretariat intersessionally and in consultation with Members;
- (ii) a summary of compliance information received for the 2005/06 season in respect of key elements identified.

The Committee will consider the organisation of future work required to develop and implement a procedure for the evaluation of compliance with conservation measures in force.

(iii) Proposals for new and revised measures

The Committee will consider any proposals for the revision of current compliance-related conservation measures or the establishment of any additional measures. If an additional measure is required, the Committee will prepare a draft of the measure and submit it for further consideration by the Commission.

In particular, the Committee will consider:

- (i) the proposed general environmental protection measure and associated changes to fisheries management measures (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 11.101);
- (ii) information received by the Secretariat on ice-strengthening classification of fishing vessels (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 14.12).

4. Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS)

The Committee will consider the results of the CDS operation in 2005/06. The Committee will also consider whether any aspect of the CDS requires revision in order to improve its efficiency.

The Committee will consider a report prepared by the Secretariat on the ongoing development and use of the E-CDS which will include intersessional work on improvements to the E-CDS (CCAMLR XXIV, paragraph 2.9 and CCAMLR-XXIV, Annex 5, paragraph 4.8). The Committee will also take note of a report of the CCAMLR Observer (Spain) at the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Fish Trade of the FAO Committee on Fisheries, held in Santiago de Compostela, Spain, from 30 May to 2 June 2006. The meeting, in particular, considered further work required on harmonisation of catch certification and trade documentation systems.

5. Scheme of International Scientific Observation

The Committee will consider advice from the Scientific Committee on the operational requirements of the scheme, in particular, for the 2006/07 season.

Also taking account of any Scientific Committee advice, the Committee will consider whether revision is required of any of the operational aspects of the scheme.

6. Election of the Chair of the Committee

A Chair will be elected to serve for two years from the end of this meeting to the end of the meeting in 2008.

7. Other business

The Committee will consider and prepare advice to the Commission on the following matters from the proceedings of the CCAMLR Symposium held in 2005 (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 16.11) and relating to:

- (i) CCAMLR's inspection and surveillance capability – including multilateral cooperative compliance and enforcement that can be taken under UNCLOS;
- (ii) 'commissioning a legal review of high-seas enforcement capacity to determine if legal action against non-Party States or third-Party States fishing in the Convention Area can be taken under UNCLOS';
- (iii) developing 'the use of diplomatic tools, in a cooperative manner, to encourage compliance with CCAMLR measures'.

The Committee will consider any additional requests received from the Commission during the meeting.

8. Advice to the Commission

The Secretariat will present a summary of advice to the Commission prepared during this meeting for appending to the SCIC report.

9. Advice to SCAF

Any aspect of the Committee's advice with financial implications will be forwarded directly to SCAF. It will include, in particular, requirements for the full-scale implementation of the E-CDS and operation of the C-VMS.

10. Adoption of the Report

The report of the meeting will be adopted.

11. Close of the Meeting

The 2006 meeting of SCIC will be closed.

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING
OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF ANTARCTIC MARINE LIVING RESOURCES**

1. Opening of the meeting
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 - (a) Status and trends
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 - (a) Status and trends
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 - (a) New and exploratory fisheries in the 2005/06 season
 - (b) Notifications for new and exploratory fisheries in the 2006/07 season
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 - (d) Advice to the Commission
 - (iv) Crab resources
 - (a) Status and trends
 - (b) Advice from WG-FSA
 - (c) Advice to the Commission
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 - (a) Status and trends
 - (b) Advice from WG-FSA
 - (c) Advice to the Commission

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 - (iii) Third meeting of SG-ASAM
 - (iv) JAG
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 - (vii) Invitation of observers to the next meeting
 - (viii) Invitation of experts to the meetings of working groups
 - (ix) Next meeting
- 14. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Scientific Committee
- 15. Other business
- 16. Adoption of the Report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Scientific Committee
- 17. Close of the meeting.

**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE
TWENTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR
THE CONSERVATION OF ANTARCTIC MARINE LIVING RESOURCES¹**

1. Opening of the meeting

The Chair (Dr E. Fanta, Brazil) will open the meeting and welcome delegations of CCAMLR Members and observers. International organisations invited to the meeting are listed in Agenda Item 9(ii). The organisation of the meeting and in-house arrangements will be discussed.

(i) Adoption of the agenda

The Preliminary Agenda for the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Scientific Committee was prepared and distributed on 14 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 5 of the Scientific Committee's Rules of Procedure. In the absence of any suggested changes, this became the Provisional Agenda and has been distributed as such in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

(ii) Report of the Chair

The Chair will report on intersessional activities undertaken since the Twenty-fourth Meeting.

(iii) Preparation of advice to SCAF and SCIC

In accordance with established practice the Chair will provide preliminary advice to SCAF and SCIC on matters of relevance to these standing committees which will meet concurrently with the meeting of the Scientific Committee.

The Scientific Committee will conclude its advice to SCAF and SCIC under Agenda Item 11.

¹ Abbreviations of subsidiary bodies of the Scientific Committee and the Commission used throughout this Agenda are WG-EMM (Working Group on Ecosystem Monitoring and Management), WG-FSA (Working Group on Fish Stock Assessment), ad hoc WG-IMAF (ad hoc Working Group on Incidental Mortality Arising from Fishing), SCAF (Standing Committee on Administration and Finance), SCIC (Standing Committee on Implementation and Compliance) and JAG (Joint Assessment Group).

2. CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation

(i) Scientific observations conducted in 2005/06

The results of scientific observations carried out in accordance with the scheme in the 2005/06 season have been discussed by WG-EMM and WG-FSA and reported to the Scientific Committee. The Secretariat will summarise all observation programs undertaken and data received.

The operation of the Scheme of International Scientific Observation during the 2005/06 season will be reviewed.

The Scientific Committee will consider scientific objectives and priorities for the deployment of CCAMLR international scientific observers in the 2006/07 season and, in particular, the requirements for collecting scientific observations on board vessels fishing for krill (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 2.32(iii–iv) and 2.33).

The reports of WG-EMM and WG-FSA will contain recommendations to the Scientific Committee on all the abovementioned matters.

(ii) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will advise the Commission on matters of relevance to the implementation of the scheme and its objectives.

Consideration will also be given to the general operational requirements of the scheme for the forthcoming season so as to assist the Chair in preparing advice to SCIC.

3. Ecosystem monitoring and management

Advice from WG-EMM on all aspects of ecosystem monitoring, management and assessment will be included in this agenda item.

(i) Advice from WG-EMM

The Convener of WG-EMM (Dr K. Reid, UK) will present the relevant sections of the WG-EMM report, including information on ecosystem assessment, krill-centred interactions, krill management procedures, plausible ecosystem models for testing approaches to krill management, predator surveys, fish and squid-centred interactions, consideration of precautionary approaches and ecosystem approaches applied in other parts of the world. This will include a presentation of activities planned for the CCAMLR-2008 synoptic survey of krill, pelagic fish and plankton which will be conducted during the International Polar Year 2007/08 (see Agenda Item 13(iv)) and a proposal for a joint CCAMLR-IWC workshop (see Agenda Item 13(v)).

(ii) Management of protected areas

The Scientific Committee will consider a report on the intersessional work of the Steering Committee for the proposed workshop on marine protected areas (MPAs) (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 4.17 and 4.18; SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 3.64 and 3.73). Future work requirements for the organisation of the MPA workshop planned for 2007, will be considered.

The Scientific Committee will consider WG-EMM's advice on developing guidelines to indicate what percentage of the range of a known harvestable resource could be covered by protected areas within a statistical unit before CCAMLR would need to determine if a proposed protected area might impact on rational use (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 3.62 and 3.63(i)). Members will be requested to indicate their experiences in submitting MPA proposals under Annex V of the Environmental Protocol to the Antarctic Treaty. In this regard, the Scientific Committee would revisit the conditions identified in paragraph 3.63(ii) of SC-CAMLR-XXIV.

(iii) Interactions between WG-EMM and WG-FSA

The Scientific Committee will consider a new system to quantify the interactions between marine mammals and the longline fishery (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.77). The Scientific Committee will consider future interactions between WG-EMM and WG-FSA.

(iv) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will advise on recent developments in relation to ecosystem monitoring and management.

4. Harvested species

(i) Krill resources

(a) Status and trends

Members will be invited to inform the Scientific Committee of recent developments and trends in krill fisheries in the Convention Area. The Secretariat will summarise fishery data reported for the current season.

(b) Advice from WG-EMM

The Convener of WG-EMM (Dr Reid) will present the relevant sections of the WG-EMM report.

(c) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

(ii) Fish resources

(a) Status and trends

Members will be invited to inform the Scientific Committee of recent developments and trends in finfish fisheries in the Convention Area. The Secretariat will summarise fishery data reported for the current season. The report of WG-FSA will contain further information.

(b) Target species

The Convener of WG-FSA (Dr S. Hanchet, New Zealand) will present the sections of the WG-FSA report dealing with the assessment of fish

resources and recommendations on their management. Notifications for new and exploratory fisheries in the 2006/07 season will be discussed under Agenda Item 4(iiiib).

(c) Advice from WG-FSA

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of WG-FSA dealing with the assessment of fish resources and recommendations on their management.

(d) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

(iii) New and exploratory fisheries

(a) New and exploratory fisheries in the 2005/06 season

The Secretariat will summarise fishing activities in new and exploratory fisheries in the 2005/06 season. Information on these fisheries and the deliberations of WG-FSA on these matters will be reviewed.

(b) Notifications for new and exploratory fisheries in the 2006/07 season

Notifications for new and exploratory fisheries in the forthcoming 2006/07 season will be reviewed and the advice of WG-FSA considered.

(c) Revision of boundaries

The Scientific Committee will review and provide advice on possible revision of various boundaries, if any are proposed.

(d) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide advice concerning new and exploratory fisheries.

In particular, the Commission has requested that the Scientific Committee:

- further develop the research and tagging requirements of Conservation Measure 41-01 to take account of the difficulties reported by Members (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 10.10 and 11.43);
- review the allocation of catchlimits in SSRUs (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 10.16 and 11.62);
- review the precautionary catch limit for *Dissotichus* spp. in Division 58.4.3b (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 11.54);
- further develop CCAMLR's Regulatory Framework and define the steps required for moving from new and exploratory fisheries to assessed fisheries (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 10.21; see also Item 7);
- develop a policy on destructive fishing practices, including consideration of the benthic impacts of bottom trawling and identification of vulnerable deep-sea habitats which may require protection from fishing (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 10.22 and 10.23) (see also Item 7);
- provide an analysis of the effectiveness of the new by-catch move-on rule in Conservation Measure 33-03 (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 11.38 and 11.39).

(iv) Crab resources

(a) Status and trends

Members will be invited to inform the Scientific Committee of recent developments and trends in the crab fisheries in the Convention Area. The Secretariat will summarise fishery data reported for the current season.

(b) Advice from WG-FSA

The Convener of WG-FSA (Dr Hanchet) will present the results of WG-FSA's deliberations on crab resources.

(c) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

(v) Squid resources

(a) Status and trends

Members will be invited to inform the Scientific Committee of recent developments and trends in squid fisheries in the Convention Area. The Secretariat will summarise fishery data reported for the current season. Notifications for the exploratory fishery in Subarea 48.3 in the forthcoming 2006/07 season will be reviewed and the advice of WG-FSA considered.

(b) Advice from WG-FSA

The Convener of WG-FSA (Dr Hanchet) will present the results of WG-FSA's deliberations on squid resources.

(c) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

(vi) Fish and invertebrate by-catch

(a) Status and trends

Members will be invited to inform the Scientific Committee of recent developments and trends in by-catch from fisheries in the Convention Area. The Secretariat will summarise by-catch data reported for the current season.

(b) Advice from WG-FSA

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of WG-FSA on developments in fishing methods, education and other subjects relevant to by-catch in CCAMLR fisheries.

(c) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

5. Incidental mortality

(i) Incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals arising from fisheries

The Co-Conveners of ad hoc WG-IMAF (Dr K. Rivera, USA and Mr N. Smith, New Zealand) will report on the intersessional activities of WG-IMAF and the group's meeting conducted as part of WG-FSA.

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of WG-IMAF and WG-EMM on research priorities, developments in fishing methods, education and other subjects of importance to the elimination of incidental mortality of seabirds and marine mammals arising from fisheries.

(ii) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice.

6. Additional monitoring and management issues

(i) Marine debris

Members are required to report results of marine debris surveys and observations on the incidence and impact of marine debris on Antarctic marine living resources according to standard reporting requirements adopted at CCAMLR-XX (paragraphs 6.1 to 6.5). Based on Members' reports received, an annual summary report on the status and trends in marine debris-related observations will be submitted by the Secretariat.

(ii) Marine mammal and bird populations

Last year, the Scientific Committee considered advice from WG-EMM and WG-FSA on the refinement of CCAMLR's request to SCAR for information on the status and trends of marine mammal and bird populations (SC-CAMLR-XXIII, paragraph 6.18). WG-EMM advised that as part of this work, it planned to convene a workshop to develop regional estimates of land-based predator abundance and demand in Area 48 (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.32; SC-CAMLR-XXIV, Annex 4, paragraph 6.9). This workshop is tentatively scheduled for 2008. The Chair of the Scientific Committee has extended an invitation to SCAR to participate in that workshop.

The workshop will also consider information on land-based predator abundance as contained in the Antarctic Site Inventory database provided by the Antarctic Treaty's Committee for Environmental Protection.

The Scientific Committee will consider further advice from WG-EMM on progress with preparation for the workshop .

(iii) Advice to the Commission

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice concerning marine debris and its impact on Antarctic marine living resources, and further work required to develop regional estimates of land-based predator abundance and demand in Area 48.

7. Management under conditions of uncertainty about stock size and sustainable yield

Following earlier requests from the Commission, discussions on this topic are included as a permanent item on the Scientific Committee's agenda (CCAMLR-XIII, paragraph 10.4).

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of WG-FSA and WG-EMM regarding Fishery Plans and the Regulatory Framework, as well as discussions under Item 4(iii)(d).

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of the JAG meeting held in Namibia from 17 to 21 July 2006.

WG-FSA will report to the Scientific Committee on IUU catch estimates used this year for stock assessment purposes and recent trends in IUU fishing activities as prepared by the Secretariat and considered by WG-FSA. The IUU catch estimates were prepared by the Secretariat taking into account the recommendations of JAG.

8. Scientific research exemption

The Scientific Committee will consider available information regarding the review of Conservation Measure 24-01, Annex 24-01/B.

The Scientific Committee will provide management advice, as appropriate.

9. Cooperation with other organisations

(i) Cooperation with the Antarctic Treaty System

The Chair will report on the Ninth Meeting of the Committee on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty (CEP).

The Scientific Committee will discuss cooperation with SCAR based on reports received from the SCAR Observer and the CCAMLR Liaison Officer to SCAR.

(ii) Reports of observers from other international organisations

Reports will be received from representatives of international organisations present as observers at the Scientific Committee meeting. Those invited include: ACAP, ASOC, CCSBT, CEP, CITES, COLTO, CPPS, FAO, FFA, IATTC, ICCAT, IOC, IUCN, IWC, SCAR, SCOR, SPC and UNEP.

(iii) Reports of representatives at meetings of other international organisations

Reports will be received from representatives nominated by the Scientific Committee to attend meetings of other international organisations during 2005/06 (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 9.28).

(iv) Future cooperation

The Scientific Committee will discuss the further development of its cooperation with other international organisations and consider any proposals for cooperation received by the Scientific Committee under subitems (i) and (ii) above.

Observers will be nominated to participate in meetings of other international organisations in 2006/07. A calendar of known international meetings of interest to the Scientific Committee has been compiled by the Secretariat.

The Scientific Committee will consider the invitation of observers from international organisations to the next meeting of the Scientific Committee and to its working groups during the 2006/07 intersessional period.

10. Budget for 2007 and forecast budget for 2008

The financial implications of decisions taken under Agenda Items 2 to 13 will be used to prepare a detailed Scientific Committee budget for 2007. This budget will be based on the costs of ongoing projects and new proposals considered during the Scientific Committee's meeting. A forecast budget for 2008 will also be discussed.

In developing its budget, the Scientific Committee will need to take account of the needs for invited experts, other contracted work and multi-year funding.

The Scientific Committee will need to identify requirements for invited experts at working group meetings, including their terms of reference, costing and expected outputs and reporting. The Scientific Committee will also need to establish the terms of reference for the proposed review of the *Scientific Observers Manual* and determine the costs involved.

In 2004, the Commission endorsed the establishment and use of a Special Science Fund to enable the deferral to future years of funding for specific tasks of the Scientific Committee (CCAMLR-XXIII, paragraph 3.22 and Annex 4, paragraph 26). The Scientific Committee will review the Special Science Fund and its requirements for multi-year funding (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 3.21).

11. Advice to SCIC and SCAF

The Scientific Committee will summarise for the Commission its recommendations to SCIC and SCAF on matters relating to their work, including advice on the work of JAG. The Scientific Committee will comment on the types of monitoring data and methods of collection that are currently used in the assessment of compliance with conservation measures. A list of data types and monitoring methods will be submitted by the Secretariat (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 6.11; CCAMLR-XXIV, Annex 5, paragraph 3.30).

12. Secretariat supported activities

(i) Data management

The Scientific Committee will review the data management requirements of the Secretariat. The Data Manager will report on the measures taken to maintain the integrity of the CCAMLR database (SC-CAMLR-XVI, paragraph 10.14).

(ii) Publications

The 13th volume of *CCAMLR Science* will be published just prior to CCAMLR-XXV. The Chair of the Editorial Board will advise of any changes, if required, to the editorial policy of *CCAMLR Science*.

Other CCAMLR documents published in 2006 include:

- *Report of the Twenty-fourth Meeting of the Scientific Committee*
- *CCAMLR Scientific Abstracts 2005* (electronic version only)
- *Statistical Bulletin*, Vol. 18 (hardcopy and electronic version)
- Revisions to the *Scientific Observers Manual*.

In 2005, the Commission asked that the Secretariat draft a policy governing the presentation and publication of aggregated fine-scale data in the electronic version of the *Statistical Bulletin*, and the degree of aggregation required to alleviate Members' concerns (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 4.62). The Commission agreed that such a policy should be uniformly applied to all fisheries in the Convention Area (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 12.26). A draft policy was prepared by the Secretariat and distributed during the

intersessional period (COMM CIRC 06/36 and SC CIRC 06/09). The Scientific Committee will consider the draft policy and advise the Commission on this matter.

Pending the outcome of the 2006 meeting of WG-FSA, the Scientific Committee will re-consider the 2005 budget over-run which occurred due to the size of the report of WG-FSA, and develop ways to either reduce the size of the report of WG-FSA or identify cost savings in other areas of its work. The Scientific Committee will advise the Commission on this matter (CCAMLR-XXIV, paragraph 4.74).

The Scientific Committee will advise the Commission on future CCAMLR publication requirements.

13. Scientific Committee activities

(i) Reorganisation of the work of the Scientific Committee and its working groups

In 2005, the Scientific Committee agreed to review the organisation of its work in order to improve the balance, conduct and integration of work between the major current elements of its work program (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 13.1 to 13.11). A Steering Committee considered this matter during the intersessional period and will report to the Scientific Committee. Findings will be reviewed and the Scientific Committee will further consider this matter and advise the Commission on progress.

(ii) Intersessional activities during 2006/07

The intersessional activities of the Scientific Committee in 2006/07 will be discussed so as to ensure that the dates and venues for meetings of working groups are agreed, that the requirements for the timing of data submission to the Secretariat are understood, and that actions to be undertaken by the Chair, Conveners of working groups, Members and the Secretariat, and the timing of such actions, are clearly identified.

On the basis of advice from working group Conveners and in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Committee will decide whether invitations should be extended to scientists and ‘experts’ to attend intersessional meetings of its working groups.

(iii) Third meeting of SG-ASAM

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations from the second meeting of the Subgroup on Acoustic Survey and Analysis Methods (SC-CAMLR-XXV/BG/2) and consider requirements for future work. SG-ASAM recommended that a third meeting should be held in 2007 to consider developments in target strength modelling and contributions by CCAMLR Members who were unable to attend the second meeting (SC-CAMLR-XXV/BG/2, paragraphs 66 to 69).

(iv) JAG

The Scientific Committee will consider the recommendations of the JAG meeting in 2006 and consider requirements for future work.

(v) CCAMLR–IPY projects

The Scientific Committee will review activities planned during the 2007/08 International Polar Year. The CCAMLR-IPY Steering Group will report on planning for the CCAMLR-2008 synoptic survey (IPY core project) and the development of CCAMLR’s Antarctic Marine Ecosystem Studies (IPY umbrella project). The Scientific Committee will advise the Commission on these matters.

(vi) Joint CCAMLR-IWC workshop

The Scientific Committee will review progress made to hold a joint CCAMLR-IWC workshop to review information required for ecosystem models being developed to provide management advice on krill predators in the Antarctic marine ecosystem.

(vii) Invitation of observers to the next meeting

The Scientific Committee will consider the invitation of observers to its next annual meeting and the intersessional meetings of its working groups. The Scientific Committee will consider the Secretariat's proposal to harmonise the Scientific Committee's Rules of Procedure regarding participation of observers with those of the Commission (SC-CAMLR-XXIV, paragraphs 13.56 to 13.60).

(viii) Invitation of experts to the meetings of working groups

The Scientific Committee will consider advice from WG-EMM and WG-FSA, if required, for the participation of invited experts at forthcoming working group meetings.

(ix) Next meeting

The next meetings of the Scientific Committee and the Commission to be held at CCAMLR Headquarters in Hobart from 22 October to 2 November 2007.

14. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Scientific Committee

In accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the Scientific Committee, an election will be held for the Chair of the Scientific Committee for a term of two regular meetings (2007 and 2008). An election will also be held for one of the two Vice-Chairs of the Scientific Committee for a term of two regular meetings (2007 and 2008).

15. Other business

Other items of business, as agreed by the Scientific Committee, will be considered.

16. Adoption of the Report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting of the Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee will adopt the Report of the Twenty-fifth Meeting.

17. Close of the meeting.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE**MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE 23 OCTOBER TO 3 NOVEMBER 2006**

OCTOBER	Agenda no.	<u>SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE</u>	Agenda no.	<u>COMMISSION</u>	<u>OTHER EVENTS</u>
Mon 23	9.00-9.30		1	Opening of Meeting, Welcome Address	
	10.00-10.15		2	Organisation of the Meeting	
	10.15-10.45	1,3		SCIC	
	11.00-11.45	3		SCIC	
	14.15-15.30	3,13(i)		SCIC	
	15.45-17.30	13(iv),(v),6		SCIC	Commission Chair's Reception 1800-1930
		Opening of the Meeting, EMM EMM continued EMM including MPA, SC Activities (reorganisation) SC Activities (IPY projects, CCAMLR-IWC workshop), Additional Monitoring and Management Issues			
Tue 24	9.00-10.30	5		SCAF for 0.5 hr, then SCIC/SCAF	
	10.45-12.30	4(i),(iv),(v)		SCIC/SCAF	
	14.00-15.30	4(ii),(vi)		SCIC/SCAF	
	15.45-17.30	4(iii)		SCAF	
		Incidental Mortality Harvested Species - Krill, Crab, Squid Harvested Species - Fish, By-catch New and Exploratory Fisheries			
Wed 25	9.00-10.30	2,7,11		SCIC	
	10.45-12.30	8,12		SCIC	
	14.00-15.30	9		SCIC (including Scientific Committee advice)	
	15.45-17.30	13(ii),10,11		SCIC	
		Observation Scheme, Mngmnt under Uncertainty, Advice to SCIC Scientific Research Exemption, Secretariat Supported Activities Cooperation with Other Organisations Intersessional Activities 2006/07, Budget, Advice to SCAF			
Thu 26	9.00-10.30	13		SCAF (including Scientific Committee and SCIC advice)	
	10.45-12.30	14, 15		SCIC/SCAF Report preparation	
	14.00-15.30			SCIC/SCAF Report preparation	
	15.45-17.30			SCAF Report Adoption	
		SC Activities (remainder of item) Election of Chair and Vice-Chair, Other Business Preparation of Report Preparation of Report			
Fri 27	9.00-10.30	16		SCIC Report Preparation	
	10.45-12.30	16		SCIC Report Preparation	
	14.00-15.30	16		SCIC Report Adoption	
	15.45-17.30	16,17		SCIC Report Adoption	
		Adoption of Report Adoption of Report Adoption of Report Adoption of Report, Close of Meeting			
Sat 28					25th Meeting Celebratory Dinner
Sun 29					Venue/times to be announced
Mon 30	9.00-10.30		15,16	Coop with ATS, Coop with Int Orgs	
	10.45-12.30		4	Sci Committee Intro, Fishery Status, Dependent Species	
	14.00-15.30		4	Sci Committee - Harvested Species	
	15.45-17.30		4,14	SC-Ecosystem assessment, Data Access and Security	Reception at Government House 1900-2200
Tue 31	9.00-10.30		7,8,10	Implementation & Compliance, CDS, Observation Scheme	
	10.45-12.30		9	Illegal, Unregulated & Unreported Fishing	
	14.00-15.30		11,4	New & Exploratory Fisheries	
	15.45-17.30		12,4	Conservation Measures - Fish, Crab & Krill	
Wed 1	9.00-10.30		5,4	Incidental Mortality (incl. Marine Debris)	
	10.45-12.30		6,4	Marine Protected Areas	
	14.00-15.30		13,17	Mngmnt under Uncertainty, Implementation of Objective	
	15.45-17.30		3,12	Finance & Administration, Conservations Measures	
Thu 2	9.00-10.30		12	Conservation Measures	
	10.45-12.30		18,19,20	Elect Chair, Next Meeting, Other Business	
	14.00-15.30			Preparation of Report	
	15.45-17.30			Preparation of Report	
Fri 3	9.00-10.30		21	Adoption of Report	
	10.45-12.30		21	Adoption of Report	
	14.00-15.30		21	Adoption of Report	
	15.45-16.00		22	Close of Meeting (16.00)	End of meeting function after close of meeting