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Report of CCAMLR Performance Review Panel

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Members are advised that the abovementioned report (in English only at this time) is being circulated in accordance with the deadline in paragraph 10 of CCAMLR-XXVI, Annex 7. A letter from the Chair of the Review Panel is attached.

The full report is available on the 'Members Only' <u>Commission</u> and <u>Scientific Committee</u> pages of the CCAMLR website. French, Spanish and Russian translations of the Report's 'Executive Summary' and 'Summary of Recommendations' will be circulated in the near future, while fully translated versions of the entire report will be circulated as soon as as they are completed.

Dr D.G.M. Miller Executive Secretary

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To:

- CCAMLR Members
- the Chair of the Commission
- the Executive Secretary

Geneva, 1 September 2008

It is with much pleasure that I convey the Report of the CCAMLR Performance Review Panel to the Commission for consideration and action.

The Review Panel has worked diligently, over what in hindsight was a fairly short period, to prepare a comprehensive report which we hope the Commission will find informative and constructive. As a group we would like to congratulate the Commission on initiating this process, which we believe is a very healthy one and one which the Commission should consider repeating on a regular basis (perhaps every 5 years). The Panel has some comments and suggestions on the process used in this review which I will convey under a separate letter.

I would very much like to thank the Executive Secretary, Dr Denzil Miller and his staff for their great assistance with our task. Denzil made himself and key senior staff available throughout our weeklong meeting in Hobart in June and has been efficient and obliging in meeting our requests for additional information since then. The Secretariat also provided extensive background information which greatly assisted our work.

Finally, I would like the thank my fellow panel members Ambassador Jorge Berguño, Dr Inigo Everson, Dr Neil Gilbert, Dr Enrique Marschoff, Mr Frank Meere, Dr Mike Richardson, Dr Keith Sainsbury and Dr Ramiro Sánchez. We have all worked tirelessly to bring you the attached report.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Marcelo G. Kohen

Chair, CCAMLR Performance Review Panel