

Provisional Schedule for IWC/59, Anchorage, 2007

Tables 1 and 2 illustrate proposed timings for the various parts of the series of meetings taking place during IWC/59. Table 1 provides the overall timing (the timing for IWC/56, IWC/57 and IWC/58 is provided for comparison), while Table 2 provides suggestions as to which of the Commission's sub-groups need to meet and how they should be scheduled. The proposal stays within the time-frame suggested by the Government of USA.

The Scientific Committee is again scheduled over 12 days, as this year. During the set-up period prior to this, the opportunity will be taken to schedule Scientific Committee pre-meetings (see Table 2) that will take place on 5 and 6 May (i.e. the two days immediately prior to the start of the Scientific Committee).

Three days have been set-aside for meetings of the Commission's sub-groups (Table 2). It is proposed that the following meetings be held:

- Conservation Committee;
- Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Associated Welfare Issues;
- Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee;
- Infractions Sub-committee;
- Budgetary Sub-committee;
- Finance and Administration Committee, including a special session to discuss the matter of meeting frequency.

No provision has been made for a meeting of the RMS Working Group as the Commission did not agree to any further work at present. A meeting of the Contributions Task Force is also not scheduled as it will conduct its business via one or two intersessional meetings prior to IWC/59.

Three sessions have been allotted to the Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee since catch limits of all aboriginal hunts are due for review and renewal.

Four days have been set aside for the meeting of the Commission in Plenary.

It is proposed to have three, rather than the recent two, days between the end of the Scientific Committee and the beginning of the Commission sub-groups. This is in recognition that (1) two days is insufficient to finalise the Scientific Committee report and (2) the Commission has now agreed that summaries of the Scientific Committee Report in French and Spanish will be produced. An extra day has also been included at the end of the sub-group meetings and before the Commission to give more time for the preparation and adoption of sub-group reports and for the translation of documents as proposed in IWC/58/28 [and agreed by the Commission].

Action required: The Commission is invited to review the proposal and amend it as appropriate.

Table 1

| IWC/59 Anchorage, 2007 - assumes 4-day Commission plenary | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | May | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | | |
| | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |
| Day | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| | Set-up | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Set-up | | | | | | | | Set-up | | | | | | |
| | | Pre-mtg | | Scientific Committee | | | | | | | | | | | | CM | Prep SC report | | | | | Review reports & doc translation | | Priv C mtg | Plenary | | | | | |
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IWC/58 St Kitts and Nevis, 2006 - assumes 5-day Commission plenary and WKM&AWI towards end of Committee/Working Group week (slight overlap with F&A)

| | May | | | | | | | | June | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | | |
| Day | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | |
| | Set-up | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Set-up | | | | | | | | Set-up | | | | | | | | |
| | | Pre-mtg | | Scientific Committee | | | | | | | | | | | | CM | | Committees/Working Groups & WKM workshop | | | | | | Priv C mtg | Plenary | | | | | | | |
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IWC/57 Ulsan 2005 Assuming 2-day meeting of RMS Working Group

| | May | | | | | | | | June | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
| | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | |
| Day | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| | | | | Pre-mtgs | | | Scientific Committee | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Committees/Working Groups | | | | | | | Priv C mtg | Plenary | | | | |
| | | | | Set-up | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | CM | Set-up | | | | | | | Set-up | | | | | | |
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Set-up - time needed for Secretariat to set-up office and meeting rooms and copying of documents (note that the transition between each of the three sections of the meeting requires set-up time)

Pre mtg - small-scale pre-meetings of the Scientific Committee.

CM - Scientific Convenors meeting – debrief, work plan and arrangements of sub-committees and selection of convenors for next meeting

Priv C mtg - Private Commissioner's meeting

Table 2. Possible Schedule of Meetings during the 59th Annual Meeting, Anchorage, 2007

| | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|-----|--------------------|----------------|
| Friday | 4 May | Set-up (and pre-meetings of the Scientific Committee on 5 and 6 May) | | | |
| Saturday | 5 May | | | | |
| Sunday | 6 May | | | | |
| Monday to Friday | 7 May 18 May | Scientific Committee | | | |
| Saturday | 19 May | Scientific Committee Convenors Meeting | | | |
| Sunday | 20 May | Preparation of Scientific Committee Report | | | |
| Monday | 21 May | Preparation of Scientific Committee Report | | | |
| | | <i>Morning</i> | | <i>Afternoon</i> | <i>Evening</i> |
| Tuesday | 22 May | CC | | WKM | BSC |
| Wednesday | 23 May | F&A special session ¹ | ASW | ASW | ASW |
| Thursday | 24 May | INF | F&A | F&A | |
| Friday | 25 May | Preparation & review sub-group reports/document translation | | | |
| Saturday | 26 May | Review sub-group reports/document translation | | | |
| Sunday | 27 May | Registration | | Priv Comms meeting | |
| Monday | 28 May | 59th Annual Meeting | | | |
| Tuesday | 29 May | | | | |
| Wednesday | 30 May | | | | |
| Thursday | 31 May | | | | |

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| ASW | Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee |
| BSC | Budgetary Sub-committee (not open to GO/IGO/NGO observers) |
| CC | Conservation Committee |
| F&A | Finance and Administration Committee (not open to GO/IGO/NGO observers) |
| INF | Infractions Sub-committee |
| WKM | Workshop on Whale Killing Methods and Associated Welfare Issues |

¹ On frequency of meetings