1981-Appendix 2 Resolution On Developing Revised Management Procedures

The International Whaling Commission:

RECALLING that a Working Group of the Technical Committee on Revised Management Procedures was established at the Commission's thirty-second Annual Meeting to examine the recommendations of the third Scientific Working Group

RECALLING FURTHER that the Technical Committee Working Group on Revised Management Procedures held two sessions prior to the thirty-third Annual Meeting

WELCOMING progress toward development of revised management procedures reflected in the Report of the Working Group and in informal discussions during the thirty-third Annual Meeting

RECOGNIZING that final resolution of remaining issues relating to revision of the management procedures will require further efforts among members of the Commission

REAFFIRMING the importance of developing detailed proposals, including draft Schedule amendments, regarding the management procedures of the International Whaling Commission

Now, hereby:

CALLS upon interested governments to pursue consultations prior to the thirty-fourth Annual Meeting with the objective of achieving broadly agreed proposals on revised procedures for consideration at the thirty-fourth Annual Meeting that will enable the Scientific Committee subsequently to provide better advice to the Commission relative to management.

1981-Appendix 3 Resolution on Communication Between the IWC and the Indian Ocean Coastal States

WITH REFERENCE to the proposal designating a region in the Indian Ocean as a sanctuary in which commercial whaling is prohibited - the region comprising the waters of the Northern Hemisphere from the coast of Africa to 100° East, including the Red and Arabian Seas and Gulf of Oman, and the waters of the Southern Hemisphere in the sector from 20° East to 130° East with the Southern boundary at 55° South.

BEING CONSCIOUS of the need to make a long term approach to the problem of preserving and increasing whale populations in areas sufficiently large for their needs.

NOTING that the Indian Ocean coastal states attending the meeting in the Seychelles on 15 April 1980 accepted the concept of the Indian Ocean Sanctuary.

MINDFUL of the fact that the success of this endeavour would require the co-operation of all states bordering Indian Ocean and beyond.

The International Whaling Commission instructs the Secretary to communicate with the Indian Ocean States coastal to the Indian Ocean Sanctuary and keep them informed of the decisions made in the Commission with regard to the Sanctuary.

1981-Appendix 4 Resolution to the Government of the United States on the Bering Sea Bowhead Whale

RECOGNISING the danger of extinction faced by the Bering Sea bowhead whale and the consequences for the Inupiat culture

MINDFUL of the recommendations of the Scientific Committee which again note the high risk to the stock, recommend zero quota and ask that any catch should be restricted to sexually immature whales (i.e. less than 12m long) and that they be taken in a manner that will reduce the struck and lost rate to zero

ENCOURAGED by the Co-operative Agreement entered into by the US Government and the AEWC and the good will and effort shown by the Inupiat people of Alaska

CONCERNED at the very high proportion of the struck quota allocated to the 1981 season

THE IWC COMMENDS the Inupiat people of Alaska on their efforts to control the hunt, and their essential contribution of finance and effort in the gathering and provision of data and research

URGES them to restrict the existing quota to sexually immature whales and to reduce the numbers of whales struck but not landed to zero as quickly as possible.

1981-Appendix 5 Resolution concerning White Whales and Narwhals

The International Whaling Commission

URGES the Government of Canada to take account of the advice and recommendations of the Scientific Committee and undertake immediate research and management action to protect those stocks of white whales and narwhals taken by persons under its jurisdiction;

REQUESTS the Government of Canada to continue to advise the Scientific Committee through the Commission of the Canadian research and management program relevant to white whales and narwhals and, in particular, of the measures undertaken to prevent taking from the severely depleted stocks of white whales;

REQUESTS the Secretary to transmit copies of this Resolution and the Report of the Scientific Committee to the Government of Canada for consideration.

1981-Appendix 6 Resolution to Implement Recommendations of the Technical Committee Working Group on Non-IWC Whaling

The International Whaling Commission

Taking note of the consensus view at its 32nd Annual Meeting that whaling operations outside the International Whaling Convention have adverse effects on the objects of the Convention;

Having received the report of the Technical Committee Working Group on non-IWC whaling, and

Concerned at the lack of information on the extent of such operations revealed in the report,

Decides

- 1. To urge member Governments to provide the Secretary with information on the present status of vessels on the draft register of whaling vessels by 31 May 1982, and to take the appropriate steps to update the Lloyds Register of Shipping in this respect.
- 2. To urge all member Governments to supply the Secretary with information, where this is available, concerning the period during which such vessels were engaged in whaling operations.
- 3. To ask member Governments to provide the Secretary with statistics of all imports and exports of whale products in the same detail as contained in customs' statistics.
- 4. To instruct the Secretary to consult the appropriate authorities in countries with large insurance markets on the question of insurance carried by vessels operating outside the IWC and in particular on the question of vessels listed for one purpose, but in fact carrying out whaling operations.
- 5. To adopt the following procedure in respect of information concerning non-member countries:
 - A .if the Secretary receives information to the effect that whaling is being carried out by a country which is a non-member of the Commission, he should institute inquiries as to the correctness of that information;
 - B. if the Secretary has reason to believe that whaling is being undertaken but he does not have adequate information as to the number, size, sex and location of the whales taken and as to the vessels and the equipment being used in the operation, he should approach the Government concerned and request the additional information;
 - C. if the Government concerned is unable to supply this information, the Secretary, with the Chairman's concurrence should seek the agreement of that country to allow a qualified representative to visit the country concerned to assist in obtaining 'the information.
 - D. the Secretary should ensure that all available information resulting from these enquiries is promptly transmitted to the Scientific Committee and the Commission and should inform the Commission if the Government concerned has been unable to receive a representative of the Commission.

1981-Appendix 7 Resolution Relating to Pollutants in Whales

The International Whaling Commission

NOTES the serious threat to whale stocks, especially sperm whales, caused by increasing levels of heavy metals, PCBs and other organochlorides detected in cetaceans,

NOTES the possible effects on whale stocks which may be caused by shipping and off-shore mining and drilling activities, and

CALLS UPON members of the Commission to encourage national scientific programs in such matters and to provide to the Scientific Committee relevant data resulting from national research or from relevant international organisations in the field of oceanography and marine pollution.