



**TWENTY FIFTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**  
**5 - 6 April 2017, Hotel Hans Egede, Nuuk, Greenland**

**ANNOTATED AGENDA**

Agenda Items	Document Reference
<p><b>1. OPENING PROCEDURES</b></p> <p>1.1. Welcome address            1.2. Admission of Observers            1.3. Opening statements            1.4. Adoption of agenda            1.5. Meeting arrangements            1.6. Invited speakers' presentation: 25 years of NAMMCO from a veterinarian and hunter perspectives            1.7. Launching of NAMMCO's new website</p>	<p>NAMMCO/25/01</p> <p>NAMMCO/25/02 &amp; 03</p>
<p><b>2. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION</b></p> <p>2.1. Report of the Finance and Administration Committee            2.1.1. Audited accounts 2016            2.1.2. Communication and Outreach Strategy            2.1.3. Performance review            2.1.4. Amendments to Rules of Procedures            2.1.5. Budget 2017 and Draft Budget 2018            2.2. Other business</p>	<p>NAMMCO/25/04            NAMMCO/25/05            NAMMCO/25/20            NAMMCO/25/22            NAMMCO/25/14 - 17            NAMMCO/25/06</p>

<b>3. NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS</b>	NAMMCO/25/NPR-F NAMMCO/25/NPR-G NAMMCO/25/NPR-I NAMMCO/25/NPR-N
<b>4. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE</b>  4.1. Report of the Scientific Committee 4.1.1. Overall work in 2016 4.1.2. Cooperation with other organisations 4.1.3. Proposed workplan for 2017-2018 4.1.4. Other business 4.2. Adoption of priorities and work plan for the SC in 2017-2018 4.3. Other business	NAMMCO/25/07 & 28
<b>5. COMMITTEE ON HUNTING METHODS</b>  5.1. Report of the Committee on Hunting Methods 5.2. Recommendations arising from the Committee 5.2.1. Proposal for a new committee on non-hunting-related welfare issues 5.3. Other Business	NAMMCO/25/11
<b>6. THE JOINT NAMMCO CONTROL SCHEME</b>  6.1. Report of the Committee on Inspection and Observation 6.2. Observation scheme in 2016 6.3. Observation scheme planned for 2017 6.4. Other business	NAMMCO/25/12 NAMMCO/25/13 NAMMCO/25/13
<b>7. JOINT MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES</b>  7.1. Report of the Joint Meeting of the Management Committees 7.2. Other business	NAMMCO/25/08
<b>8. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR CETACEANS</b>  8.1. Report of the Management Committee for Cetaceans 8.2. Other business	NAMMCO/25/09
<b>9. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR SEALS AND WALRUSES</b>  9.1. Report of the Management Committee for Seals and Walrus 9.2. Update on EU seal ban and Inuit exemption 9.3. Other business	NAMMCO/25/10
<b>10. ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONS &amp; ECOSYSTEM APPROACH TO MANAGEMENT</b>	
<b>11. ADOPTION OF NEW REQUESTS FOR ADVICE FROM THE COUNCIL</b>	NAMMCO/25/26
<b>12. NEW PROPOSALS FOR CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT</b>	NAMMCO/25/27

<b>13. MARINE MAMMALS AS FOOD RESOURCES</b>	NAMMCO/25/18 & 23ab
<b>14. EXTERNAL RELATIONS</b> 14.1. Cooperation with international organisations 14.2. Other business	NAMMCO/25/19
<b>15. INFORMATION &amp; COMMUNICATION</b> 15.1. NAMMCO website 15.2. Social Media 15.3. Flyers 15.4. Scientific Publications 15.5. Other business	NAMMCO/25/21 NAMMCO/25/29 NAMMCO/25/24
<b>16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
<b>17. CLOSING ARRANGEMENTS</b> 17.1. Election of Officers 17.2. Press release 17.3. Next meeting	NAMMCO/25/30 NAMMCO/25/25

## ANNOTATIONS TO NAMMCO/25/2 - DRAFT COUNCIL AGENDA

### Agenda 2. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Item 2.1 concerns all items under the report of the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC), circulated as NAMMCO/25/04. NAMMCO/25/05 comprises the final and audited accounts for 2015 and the auditor's reports. NAMMCO/25/06 present the audited account for 2016 (result and balance sheet). NAMMCO/25/06 comprises the adopted draft budget 2017, the revised budget 2017 and forecast budget for 2018. Accounts 2016, revised budget 2017 and forecast budget 2018 are to be approved by the Council. Item 2.1.2 concerns the proposed Communication and Outreach Strategy.

Item 2.1.3 concerns the proposed Performance Review. Item 2.1.4 concerns proposed amendments to Rules of Procedures for Council and Committees. Item 2.2 concerns proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedures for the Council and Committees.

Please note that the changes to the Rules of Procedure are of two kinds. Some changes are common to the Council and all Committees and deal with the publication and confidentiality of the documents and reports of the subsidiary bodies. Other changes are specific to the CHM and to the SC.

### Agenda 3. NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS

Under this item, Parties have the opportunity to inform on national matters relevant to Council.

### Agenda 4. SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

The Report of the Scientific Committee (SC) is circulated as NAMMCO/25/7. This includes the Executive Summary, main report, four appendices (Agenda, Participants, Documents, and Observer's

Reports) and five annexes containing the reports from NAMMCO Scientific Committee Working Groups (WG) on By-catch (Annex 1), the NAMMCO Scientific WG on Coastal Seals (Annex 2) and NAMMCO Scientific Committee WG on Abundance Estimate (Annex 3), the NAMMCO Scientific WG on Harp and Hooded Seals (Annex 4) and the Disturbance Symposium (Annex 5). The Chair of the SC with the assistance of the Vice-Chair will give a summary presentation of the SC report related to the overall work of the SC. Details and recommendations pertaining to species will be taken up in the relevant Management Committees and will be presented under agenda item 7 - 9 and 11 – 12.

**Agenda 5. COMMITTEE ON HUNTING METHODS**

The Report of the Committee on Hunting Methods under 5.1 is circulated as NAMMCO/25/11. The Committee's advice pertaining to non-hunting-related welfare issues will be presented under item 5.2. If the establishment of the new committee is adopted, then Council should adopt rules of procedure for the new committee.

**Agenda 6. THE JOINT NAMMCO CONTROL SCHEME**

The Report of the Committee on Inspection and Observation under 6.1 is circulated as NAMMCO/25/12. Observation in 2016 and planned in 2017 will be reported under 6.2 and 6.3 respectively (NAMMCO/25/13).

**Agenda 7. JOINT MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES**

The Report of the Joint Meeting of the Management Committees which will meet on Tuesday 4 April, will be available to the meeting as NAMMCO/25/08 on Thursday 6 April.

**Agenda 8. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR CETACEANS**

The Report of the Management Committee for Cetaceans which will meet on on Tuesday 4 April, will be available to the meeting as NAMMCO/25/09 on Thursday 6 April.

**Agenda 9. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR SEALS AND WALRUSES**

The Report of the Management Committee for Seals and Walruses which will meet on Tuesday 4 April, will be available to the meeting as NAMMCO/25/10 on Thursday 6 April.

**Agenda 10. ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONS & ECOSYSTEM APPROACH TO MANAGEMENT**

Presently there is no documentation to consider under this agenda item. However, the report from the Joint Meeting of the Management Committee (NAMMCO/25/08) will have relevant elements, notably related to the conclusions of the SC on the report from the NAMMCO Disturbance Symposium.

**Agenda 11. ADOPTION OF NEW REQUESTS FOR ADVICE**

Under this new item, following the reporting by three Management Committees and the Committee on Hunting Methods and subsequent discussions, the list of new requests and/or modifications to existing requests for advice will be presented for adoption by Council. This document will become available to the meeting as NAMMCO/25/26 on Thursday 6 April.

**Agenda 12. NEW PROPOSALS FOR CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT**

Under this new item, following the reporting by three Management Committees and the Committee on Hunting Methods and subsequent discussions, the list of all new proposals for conservation and management proposed will be presented to Council for information. This document will become available to the meeting as NAMMCO/25/27 on Thursday 6 April.

**Agenda 13. MARINE MAMMALS AS FOOD RESOURCES**

The status of the project will be reported under this item (NAMMCO/25/18).

**Agenda 14. EXTERNAL RELATIONS**

Document NAMMCO/25/19 presents the observers' reports.

**Agenda 15. INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION**

The proposed Communication Plan for 2017-2018 (NAMMCO/25/21) will be presented under this point. Other items will include status on NAMMCO website, activities on social media, new flyers (NAMMCO/25/24) and scientific publications.

**Agenda 16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A proposal for a common declaration of the Parties on the occasion of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of NAMMCO will be discussed under this item.

**Agenda 17. CLOSING ARRANGEMENTS**

A new Chair and new Vice-Chair need to be elected (17.1). The press release, which will become available on Thursday 6 April as NAMMCO/25/27 should be approved (17.2). The venue and likely date of the next Council meeting (17.3) needs to be decided. The host for NAMMCO 26 will be the Secretariat.