



COMMITTEE ON INSPECTION AND OBSERVATION

6-7th October 2020 – Teams meeting

13:00 hrs – 20:00 hrs NO time

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS

Chair Guðni Magnús Erlisson will open the meeting for comments to the agenda, (NAMMCO/CO-2020-05/01) and review the meeting documents, (NAMMCO/CO-2020-05/02).

2. ANNUAL REPORTING FROM MEMBERS FOR 2019

2019 was the first year of the extended data reporting from member countries and is as such seen as a trial year. The CO should review the data and discuss the usability of these and if needed, make improvements and identify follow-up actions.

NAMMCO/CO-2020-05/03 contains the NAMMCO database. The CO related data are found under the cetaceans and pinnipeds sections- towards the right of the sheet.

3. OBSERVATION ACTIVITY

3.1 PROPOSAL FOR OBSERVATION ACTIVITIES IN 2021

The CO meeting 3 April agreed to propose observation of walrus, narwhal and beluga/hunts in Greenland as the scope for 2021. Greenland and the Secretariat was tasked to draft the proposal identifying time and hunting locations based on catch statistics and to develop the budget taking into account that FAC has tentatively allocated NOK 300 000 for 2021. It was initially scheduled to be forwarded to Council 3 May, but this was later postponed.

NAMMCO/CO-2020-05/04 gives the draft proposal. CO should finalise the proposal so that it can be forwarded to Council after this meeting.

3.2 SCOPE AND RANGE OF OBSERVATIONS 2022-2023-2024

The CO meeting 6/18 February discussed and agreed that a longer time perspective would benefit the implementation of the observation scheme. CO is thus asked to look at the next three-year period 2022-2024, taking into consideration elements described below in addition to coverage rates, development of check lists, information on which hunts would be of interest to SC and the possibility of realising identified goals.

The following already identified elements should be considered when setting scope:

- Hunting level
- Hunts not covered by national inspectors – monitored by humans
- Implementation and compliance of new recommendations into national regulations