

## BUDGET FOR 1984

92. The Scientific Committee had available for information on this item CCAMLR-II/5, the draft budget for the Commission for 1984.

93. The Scientific Committee decided that the most appropriate way to consider its budget proposals for 1984 was to assess, with the aid of the Secretariat, the financial implications of decisions that had been made under other items of the agenda.

94. A proposed budget containing certain alternatives for decision by the Commission, was then endorsed by the Scientific Committee. The proposed budget is at Annex 11.

95. In endorsing the budget, the Scientific Committee agreed that the proposal for the publication of Species Identification Sheets was of lower priority than the other items of the budget.

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

96. The Scientific Committee considered that its next meeting should be held during the same period as that of the Commission. It was understood from the Secretariat that there were two possible periods – 21 May to 1 June and 3 to 14 September. It was generally agreed that the September meeting would be preferable. The Scientific Committee indicated that the principal constraint on dates for a meeting would mainly come from the need for many representatives to visit the Antarctic during the southern summer. Effectively, this implied that a meeting after the end of September would not be feasible. It was noted that in any year there were a number of scientific activities involving organisations such as IWC, FAO, SCAR and IUCN, which could clash with the meeting of the Commission and Scientific Committee. The Secretariat was asked to provide a list of invitations to meetings that had been received this year. This list is contained at Annex 12.

## OTHER BUSINESS

97. There were two items of other business:

- (i) A proposal for a newsletter to be distributed by the Secretariat to members of the Scientific Committee and the Commission irregularly when the need arose; and

- (ii) A press release to be made on the activities of the Scientific Committee at this year's meeting.

Both proposals were endorsed.

#### CLOSE OF THE MEETING

98. The Chairman thanked members for their co-operation in the meeting and extended the thanks of the Scientific Committee to the Secretariat and the Interpreters. The Scientific Committee extended its thanks to the Chairman and Rapporteur. The meeting was closed.