ACTIVITIES OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE IN THE INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD

- 13.1 An offer was made by Norway to host WG-EMM in 1996, and the Subgroup on Standard Monitoring Methods meeting. This was gratefully received by the Scientific Committee.
- 13.2 WG-EMM will meet in Bergen, Norway, from 12 to 22 August 1996, and will be convened by Dr Everson.
- 13.3 The Subgroup on Monitoring Methods will also meet in Bergen, from 8 to 10 August 1996, convened by Dr Kerry. The Subgroup on Statistics will meet from 8 to 10 May 1996 in Cambridge, UK, convened by Dr Agnew.
- 13.4 Preliminary task lists for both the Subgroup on Statistics and the Subgroup on Monitoring Methods are given in SC-CAMLR-XIV/BG/7. The Scientific Committee endorsed these task lists. The proposed timetable for intersessional work for the methods subgroup prior to its Bergen meeting was amended to:

November 1995 to March 1996 All new text to be collected, circulated to experts as

appropriate and edited into methods format by

Convener and the Secretariat.

April 1996 Circulate all new method texts to Members and SCAR

groups (as required by Annex 4, paragraph 5.53), requesting comments by the end of the SCAR Biology meeting (2 August 1996). Further completely new

method texts should be solicited from Members and

SCAR.

- 13.5 Participants at WG-EMM were further invited to attend a workshop on geostatistics, acoustics and survey design, to be convened by Dr K. Foote in Bergen after WG-EMM, from 26 to 28 August, 1996.
- 13.6 WG-FSA will meet from 7 to 16 October 1996 in Hobart, Australia and will be convened by Dr de la Mare.
- 13.7 The Scientific Committee recalled the extremely valuable work done by Dr Kim over the last three years in coordinating information about research around the Antarctic Peninsula. This work had culminated in a very productive workshop in Hamburg, Germany in 1995 (Annex 4, Appendix I). The Scientific Committee recommended that such coordination work, which has benefits for both

individual Member research programs and the Scientific Committee's work, should continue, and welcomed Dr Kim's offer to continue to act as coordinator for this work (Annex 4, paragraph 9.8).