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Dr Andrew Southcott MP Chair Joint Standing Committee on Treaties Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Dr Southcott

Thank you for your letter of 18 October 2006 in which you invite comments on the treaty on Amendments to the Schedule to the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, 1946, which was tabled on 17 October 2006.

The Tasmanian Government supports the proposed amendment arising from the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Whaling Commission from 16-20 June 2006. I note that the proposed amendment will seek to maintain the moratorium on commercial whaling for a further year and that this amendment is consistent with Australia's strong opposition to whaling. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Yours sincerely

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