



ARRANGEMENT

between

**KAREN C. DRAYER WILDLIFE HEALTH CENTER, SCHOOL OF VETERINARY
MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS**

and

**THE SECRETARIAT FOR THE AGREEMENT ON THE CONSERVATION OF
ALBATROSSES AND PETRELS**

The Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis (hereafter Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center) and the Secretariat for the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels (hereafter the ACAP Secretariat);

ACKNOWLEDGING that The *Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels* (hereafter ACAP), developed under the auspices of the *Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals*, is a multilateral agreement which seeks to achieve and maintain a favourable conservation status for albatrosses and petrels by coordinating international activity to mitigate known threats to albatross and petrel populations;

NOTING that Article X(d) of ACAP authorizes the ACAP Secretariat to liaise with non-Party Range States and regional economic integration organisations and to facilitate coordination between Parties and non-Party Range States, and international and national organisations and institutions whose activities are directly or indirectly relevant to the conservation, including the protection and management, of albatrosses and petrels;

NOTING FURTHER that Article XI of ACAP empowers the ACAP Secretariat to consult and cooperate, where appropriate, with the secretariats of other relevant conventions and international instruments in respect of matters of common interest and to enter into arrangements, with the approval of the Meeting of Parties, with other organisations and institutions as may be appropriate and to consult and cooperate with such organisations and institutions in exchanging information and data;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the mission of the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center is to advance the health of wildlife in balance with people and the environment; and that as a key component of the One Health Institute and the School of Veterinary Medicine, the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center provides broad-based service, training and research activities as they relate to wildlife health and conservation;

ACKNOWLEDGING FURTHER that the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center has a history of past collaboration with ACAP on matters pertaining to albatross and petrel health and conservation;

RECOGNIZING that the achievement of the objectives of the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center and ACAP will benefit from **cooperation**, with a view to strengthening the conservation measures adopted in respect of albatrosses and petrels;

DESIRING to put into place arrangements and procedures to promote cooperation in order to enhance the conservation of albatrosses and petrels;

JOINTLY DECIDE as follows:

1. OBJECTIVE OF THIS ARRANGEMENT

The objective of this Arrangement is to facilitate cooperation between the Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center and the ACAP Secretariat (“the Participants”) with a view to support efforts to minimise the impacts of disease on albatrosses and petrels listed in Annex 1 of ACAP.

2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center and the ACAP Secretariat may consult, cooperate and collaborate with **each** other in **relation** to the following matters of common interest to both organizations:

- a) collation and exchange of information and samples available for assessment of diseases and other health threats affecting albatrosses and petrels;
- b) research on priority health-risks for albatrosses and petrels, particularly those of urgent concern for the most endangered species;
- c) exchange of information and provision of expert consultation regarding management approaches and interventions relevant to the health of albatrosses and petrels;
- d) capacity building for health-relevant sample collection by on-board observer programmes in fisheries which operate in areas where albatrosses and petrels may be encountered;
- e) capacity building for health-relevant sample collection by field teams involved in albatross and petrel research and management to maximize sampling and biobanking opportunities;
- f) development of guidelines and training programmes on techniques and measures to investigate and mitigate health threats affecting albatrosses and petrels at their breeding locations; and
- g) exchange of expertise, techniques and knowledge relevant to the health and conservation of albatrosses and petrels.

3. REVIEW AND AMENDMENT

This Arrangement may be reviewed or amended at any time by the mutual written consent of both Participants.

4. LEGAL STATUS


The Participants acknowledge that this Arrangement is not legally binding between them.

5. COMING INTO EFFECT AND TERMINATION


- (a) This arrangement will remain in effect for 5 years. At that stage the Participants will review the operation of the Arrangement and decide whether it will be renewed or amended.
- (b) Either Participant may terminate this Arrangement by giving six months written notice to the other Participant.
- (c) This Arrangement will come into effect on signature.

SIGNATURE

Signed at Wellington, NZ this 8 day of September 2017



Kirsten Gilardi & Michael Ziccardi
Co-Directors
Karen C. Drayer Wildlife Health Center



Marco Favero
Executive Secretary
ACAP Secretariat