



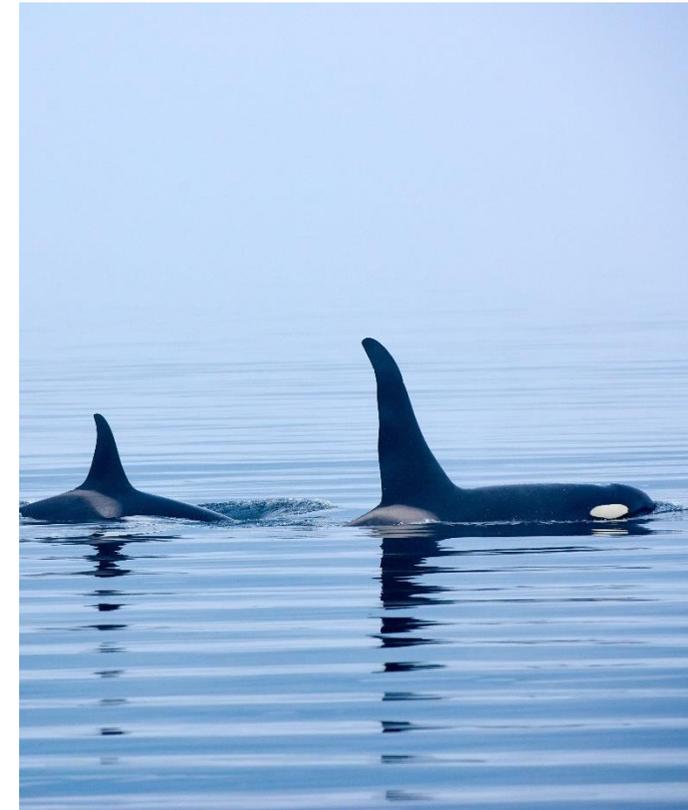
Section II: Habitat Conservation and Management (threats and pressures of cetaceans)

7. Other Sources of Disturbance

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7.1 Have there been any incidents of disturbance to small cetaceans in your country during the reporting period?

- No reported incidents of disturbance to small cetaceans within countries.
- One (1) incident reported in The Netherlands:

Three beaked whales were stranded at Zandvoort, in the Northern Sea.

The woman turned herself in to the police, where she spent one night in custody.



Civilians rescued the whales, but as one was swimming away, a female attempted to ride on the back of the whale.

The woman was dismissed by the Public Prosecution Service with a probation period of one year.

7.2 Relevant new research/work/collaboration on other sources of disturbance in your country?

No relevant new research/work/collaboration on disturbance was reported.

