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To whom it may concern

During recent years, the Society for the Conservation of Marine Mammals (Gesellschaft zum Schutz der Meeressäugetiere e.V.; GSM), Germany, has been collaborating with Loro Parque and the Loro Parque Fundación in non-invasive research and other activities involving cetaceans, with the ultimate aim to contribute to their conservation. The specific examples of this collaboration are the projects:

- The protection of the Harbour Porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) in the Baltic Sea.
- Promoting the declaration of the region of Macaronesia as a sanctuary for marine mammals.

I can confirm that essential elements of this collaboration have been the financial and informational support provided by the Loro Parque Fundación and Loro Parque. Our open and productive collaboration has played an important part in the positive progress of these activities.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Petra Deimer".

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