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**ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE IHO COUNCIL**

**References:**

- A. Council Circular Letter 04/2017 dated 11 July – *Result of the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the IHO Council*
- B. Council Circular Letter 07/2017 dated 25 July – *Proposed procedure for electing the Vice-Chair of the IHO Council at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Council*

Dear Hydrographer,

1. Reference A reported the results of the election of the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the IHO Council and indicated that as a result of a tie for the position of Vice-Chair between Admiral (Retired) Luiz Fernando PALMER Fonseca (Brazil) and Captain Luigi SINAPI (Italy), “*it is proposed that the election of the Vice-Chair now be made at the first meeting of the Council to be held in Monaco from 17 to 19 October 2017.*” Details for the procedure to be used for that election at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the IHO Council (C-1) were subsequently proposed in Reference B for which no objection was received from Member States.

2. Captain Luigi SINAPI (Italy) has informed the IHO Secretary-General that he has decided, after careful consideration, to withdraw his application to be elected as Vice-Chair of the IHO Council.

3. As a result, and considering that Admiral (Retired) Luiz Fernando PALMER Fonseca (Brazil) remains the candidate who received the majority of votes, he is therefore declared Vice-Chair of the IHO Council, with immediate effect.

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary-General