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ADOPTION OF NEW INT CHARTS IN THE SCHEME FOR REGION M As proposed by Ecuador, Australia and the United Kingdom

To: Members of the IHO Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (HCA)

Copy to: HCA Observers

Ref: HCA Letter 01/2010 dated 12 January 2011

Dear Sir or Madam,

The reference conveyed a proposal for the adoption of five new INT charts in the HCA area (INT Region M), to be produced by Ecuador, Australia and the United Kingdom, in accordance with Action HCA10/10.

I would like to acknowledge with thanks the responses received from Chile, France, Korea (Rep. of), Norway, Peru, South Africa, Spain and the United Kingdom. All responses were supportive of the proposal and the five proposed new charts, as detailed in Annex A, are therefore adopted. They will be incorporated in the INT chart scheme for Region M, as described in IHO Publication S-11, at the earliest opportunity.

France however provided the following comment, in relation to the two new charts proposed by Australia, i.e. INT 9038 (Aus 448) and INT 9022 (Aus 453): "France agrees with the general principle of producing new INT charts in order to bridge the gaps between the existing charts in the scheme for region M. However, in accordance with S-11 and considering the forthcoming production of ENCs, France suggests reconsidering the coverage and the limits of the new INT charts 9038 and 9022 due to their important overlap with the existing charts in region M."

In response, Australia subsequently indicated that "Australia recognises that the two charts proposed by Australia have extensive overlaps with existing INT charts 9025 and 9040 produced by Russia. However, the gaps in existing chart coverage still need to be addressed within the INT scheme. Additionally, Australia has a national requirement for chart coverage as proposed, adjacent the Australian Antarctic Territory. In view of these requirements, the proposal for production of INT charts 9022 and 9038 by Australia remains as specified in HCA Letter No. 01/2011".

While acknowledging Australia's position on this matter, the IHB, as coordinator for Region M, would like to recommend that consideration be given to limiting chart overlap as far as possible in any future proposed extension of the INT chart scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosures: Annex A

Annex A to HCA Letter 02/2011

NEW INT CHARTS BY ECUADOR, AUSTRALIA AND UK - DETAILS

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INT Number	9129		9038		9022		9117		9133	
National Number	Not known		Aus 448		Aus 453		Not known		Not known	
Producer	Ecuador		Australia		Australia		UK		UK	
Datum	WGS 84		WGS84		WGS84		WGS84		WGS84	
Projection	Mercator		Mercator		Mercator		Mercator		Mercator	
Format	A1 (514.7 x 887.9 mm)		A0		A0		Not known		Not known	
Chart Title	Punta Fort Williams, Isla Greenwich		Kirby Island to Magnet Bay		Cape Filchner to Mill Island		Detaille Island		Snow Hill Island (Main Sheet)	
Chart Scale	1:10,000 at 62°26'S		1:500,000 at 68°S		1:500,000 at 68°S		1:10,000 at 66°30'S		1:75,000 at 66°30'S	
Chart Limits (NE)	62°24.15'S	59°42.84'W	64°35'S	57°25'E	63°45'S	102°23'E	66°51.0'S	66°46.0'W	64°07.5'S	56°20.0'W
Chart Limits (SW)	62°27.85'S	59°48.83'W	67°47'S	45°00'E	67°00'S	90°00'E	66°52.5'S	66°49.5'W	64°36.5'S	57°55.0′W
Plan Title									Snow Hill Island (Inset Plan)	
Plan Scale									1:30,000 at 66°30'S	
Plan Limits (NE)									64°31.0'S	57°22.0'W
Plan Limits (SW)									64°36.0'S	57°33.0′W