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**FINANCE COMMITTEE  
CIRCULAR LETTER 03/2008  
19 December 2008**

**CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (FC)**

Reference: FCCL 02/2008 dated 25 November 2008

Dear Hydrographer,

1 With reference to the Circular Letter above, Member States were informed of the sudden death of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr Jean-Noel Veran from Monaco, who was killed in a car accident. The Department of the External Relations of Monaco has proposed Mr. Claude COTTALORDA, the Finance Director of the Monaco Government, as the new Chairman of the Finance Committee.

2 Although Article 11(3) of the IHO General Regulations is not clear whether under the circumstances a new Chair needs to be elected, France as Vice-Chair, has agreed to support the proposal from Monaco.

3 If the Bureau receives no objection to Mr COTTALORDA becoming the new Chair of the Finance Committee by Monday 19 January 2009, the IHB will inform the Department of External Relations of Monaco, that Mr COTTALORDA has been appointed by the IHO Member States as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be 'A. Maratos', written over a horizontal line.

Vice Admiral Alexandros MARATOS  
President