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## **COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN IMO AND IHO**

Dear Sir,

In the above-referenced Circular Letter, the Directing Committee informed Member States about the Cooperation Agreement between IMO and IHO, as laid down in IMO Assembly Resolution A.64 (1963) and which is still in force. It was also noted in CL 29/1999 that the IMO Secretariat was going to inform the 82<sup>nd</sup> session of the Council of the need to correct the Cooperation Agreement by amending the name of the IHB to read IHO.

The Council session was held at the IMO Headquarters in June 1999 and the IHB's proposal (endorsed by the IMO Secretary General with the document C82/23/Add.1 attached herewith) to amend the name of the International Hydrographic Bureau as referred to in their Cooperation Agreement with the IMO, concluded on 25 October 1963, has been agreed by the IMO Council.

Among the comments received in response to C.L. 29/1999, Chile notes its approval of the action taken by the IHB and believes that it may be opportune to identify a strategy to be adopted by IHO concerning IMO, so that the Cooperation Agreement will be an efficient mechanism dealing with matters of common interest and not simply an historical reference. Therefore, the Directing Committee proposes that this matter be included amongst the subjects addressed by the SPWG and more specifically within the Work Programme.

On behalf of the Directing Committee Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Giuseppe ANGRISANO President

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