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**NEW IHO MEMBER STATE**

**KINGDOM OF MOROCCO**

Dear Sir,

The Directing Committee is pleased to announce that the Government of the Principality of Monaco (depository of the IHO Convention) has informed the International Hydrographic Bureau that the Government of Morocco deposited its Instrument of Accession to the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization on 13 October 1999.

The Government of the Principality of Monaco is taking the necessary action to inform the Government parties to the IHO Convention that, in conformity with Article XX, the Convention entered into force for Morocco on 13 October 1999. Morocco therefore became a Member of the Organization with effect from that date.

The accession of Morocco increases the total membership of the IHO to sixty-eight Member States<sup>1</sup> and the Directing Committee is delighted to welcome this country to the IHO and to the international hydrographic community.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,  
Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Giuseppe ANGRISANO  
President

Encl: (1)

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<sup>1</sup> For your information we attach herewith a graph which traces IHO membership over the past 50 years

IHO Member States from 1949 to 1999  
Etats Membres de l'OHI de 1949 à 1999  
Estados Miembros de la OHI de 1949 a 1999

