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**APPLICATION BY THE UNION OF MYANMAR FOR IHO MEMBERSHIP**

Dear Sir,

The Directing Committee is pleased to announce that an official application for membership of the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) has been received by the Government of the Principality of Monaco from the Government of the Union of Myanmar<sup>1</sup>, who has reported a tonnage figure of 392,746.19 tonnes.

The Government of the Principality of Monaco, as Depository for the Convention of the IHO, has initiated action to obtain approval from the Member Governments of the IHO, in accordance with Article XX of the IHO Convention.

You are kindly requested to contact appropriate officials in your Government with the responsibility for handling such requests to urge them to handle this application as soon as possible. If your Government approves, their official notification should, of course, be sent directly to the Government of Monaco through the appropriate diplomatic channels, with a copy to the Bureau.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,  
Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Giuseppe ANGRISANO  
President

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<sup>1</sup> Note: It will be recalled that Burma (now Myanmar) was a Member State of the IHO from 1956 to 1977.