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**NEW IHO MEMBER STATE**

**JAMAICA**

Dear Sir,

The Directing Committee is delighted to announce that Jamaica has become the 69<sup>th</sup> Member State of the International Hydrographic Organization. The Government of the Principality of Monaco (depository of the IHO Convention) informs us that they have been notified by Fax that Jamaica deposited its Instrument of Accession to the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization in April. A formal announcement was also made on 17 April 2000 in Kingston, Jamaica by the Jamaican Minister for Foreign Trade, the Honourable Antony HYLTON, MP on the occasion of the Opening Ceremony of the IVth Conference of the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico Hydrographic Commission.

The Government of Monaco is at present waiting to receive the original of Jamaica's Instrument of Accession before officially informing the Government parties to the IHO Convention that, in conformity with Article XX, the Convention has entered into force for Jamaica.

Meanwhile the Directing Committee is writing to formally welcome Jamaica to the IHO and to the international hydrographic community.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,  
Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Giuseppe ANGRISANO  
President