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MEMBERSHIP STATUS OF GUATEMALA

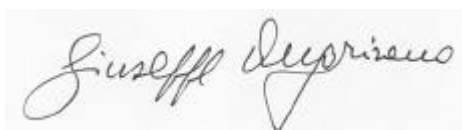
Dear Sir,

The Directing Committee is very pleased to inform Member States that Guatemala, whose rights and benefits have been suspended since 1991, has now paid its outstanding contributions in accordance with the requirements of Article XV of the IHO Convention and Articles 16 and 17 of the IHO Financial Regulations. Therefore, with effect from 4 June 2002, Guatemala has recovered its full rights and benefits as an IHO Member State.

The Directing Committee is extremely grateful to the Government of Guatemala for having cleared the outstanding amounts, which now means that this country can once again fully participate in all the activities and decisions of the IHO.

This now brings the number of suspended Member States to 3 out of a total membership of 72.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,



Rear Admiral Giuseppe ANGRISANO
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