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**INTERNATIONAL ABLOS CONFERENCE:
ADDRESSING DIFFICULT ISSUES IN UNCLOS**

IHB, Monaco, 28-30 October 2003

Dear Hydrographer,

The International ABLOS Conference on "Addressing Difficult Issues in UNCLOS" is being organized by the Advisory Board on Law of the Sea (ABLOS). The Conference will be held at the International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB), Monaco, on 28-30 October 2003.

The Conference will be conducted in English only. In keeping with the Conference theme "Addressing Difficult Issues in UNCLOS", ABLOS proposes to explore problems related to geodesy, hydrography and marine geoscience that may affect the interpretation and application of the Law of the Sea. Multidisciplinary papers that discuss interactions between technical and legal issues will be welcomed.

The format of the Conference will vary from previous ones in that it will open with a series of tutorial sessions on 28 October before proceeding to plenary sessions on 29 and 30 October. The tutorial sessions will be of an introductory nature, and will review current practice and problems. The plenary sessions will feature presentations that deal with new developments and emerging issues.

It is planned to have about 6 tutorial sessions and to have about 6-8 papers presented during each half-day of the plenary sessions. Because of space limitations at the IHB, attendance has to be restricted to a maximum of 80 persons.

A registration fee of 200 Euros will be charged to cover the preparation of the CD-ROM containing the proceedings, a reception in the evening of 28 October, and coffee breaks. Each IHO Member State can nominate one delegate who will be exempted from paying the registration fee. Member States interested in participating in this Conference should inform the IHB as soon as possible by returning the attached registration form.

Additional copies of the Registration Form, the Call for Abstracts Form, as well as information on hotels and on transportation between Nice Airport and Monaco can be found under :

<http://www.gmat.unsw.edu.au/ablos/index.html#ABLOS'03>

Please note that delegates must make their own hotel reservations.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,
Yours sincerely,
(original signed)

Vice Admiral Alexandros MARATOS
President

Annex A: Registration Form

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28-30 October 2003
International Hydrographic Bureau, MONACO**

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE FILL IN AND SUBMIT THIS FORM BY MAIL OR BY FAX TO:

Contact Address:

Cdr. Steve SHIPMAN, IHB, 4 quai Antoine 1er, BP 445, MC98011 Monaco Cedex; Fax: +377-93108140

Title
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Registration fee: 200 EURO per person

(incl. Meeting Participation, Proceedings on CD, Meeting Refreshments, and Reception)

Method of payment (please tick): Credit Card ☐ Bank Transfer ☐

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Please note that all bank charges and fees must be paid, so that the amount transferred is fully credited to above account. A copy of your bank transfer should be brought with you to complete the registration at the conference.

Cancellation must be made in writing to the above **contact address**. No refund will be made if cancellation is made after 30 August 2003.