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**INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC REVIEW**

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Dear Hydrographer,

It is hoped that you will have noticed the steadily improving quality of the I.H.Review, both in terms of presentation and content, including articles describing the leading edge in technology which is so important to the progress of hydrography. Accordingly, we look for your support in maintaining this publication. It is important that Member States contribute articles describing their own latest developments and experience. It is also important that it remains economically viable.

It appears that when the arrangements were made with the present publishers, GITC bv, the requirement of the IHB was to order sufficient copies to permit three copies to be distributed to each Member State. In retrospect it is now noted that a number of Member States may be receiving insufficient copies to permit convenient internal distribution to their regional offices, various departments or ships. Prior to present arrangements as many as 20 copies were distributed to some of the larger Hydrographic Offices. We believe that it may be desirable to increase the total number of copies ordered from the publisher in order to permit a more generous subscription. This would result in a small increase in cost but in view of the importance to the IHO of supporting this form of transferring technological information, we believe it should be supported.

Would you please investigate your internal needs for distribution of the IH Review and let us know if the present three copies are sufficient or indicate the number that you would like to receive.

It is important for the economic viability of the publication and in fact, for publicising the work of hydrography, that the Review is widely distributed and read. To this end we would like to ask you to provide contact information on all educational and other institutions that may have some level of interest in hydrography. This information could be used by the publishers in their marketing activities in order to increase the circulation of the publication.

In summary:

- 1) We ask you to review your requirements and let us know the number of copies you require.
- 2) Provide the address of institutions, educational or otherwise, that might be interested in subscribing to the Review.
- 3) To consider submitting contributions for publishing.

We would appreciate if you could provide us this information by the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2003.

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

*(original signed)*  
Captain Hugo GORZIGLIA  
Director