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IHO WORKING GROUP ON HYDROGRAPHY AND CARTOGRAPHY IN INLAND WATERS - REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Reference: 17th IHC Decision 19 – Establishment of a Working Group on Hydrography and Cartography in Inland Waters.

This Circular Letter seeks Member States' input by **10 February 2008**

Dear Hydrographer,

The 17th IHC directed that the CHRIS establish a Working Group on Hydrography and Cartography in Inland Waters (HCIWWG) to analyse and recommend the level and nature of IHO involvement in the hydrography and cartography of inland waterways. The HCIWWG is required to provide a report and recommendations for consideration by Member States at the 4th Extraordinary International Hydrographic Conference in June 2009. The HCIWWG has now been established under the chairmanship of Captain Wesley Cavalheiro from Brazil.

As a first step in the work of the HCIWWG, its Chairman is seeking input from Member States regarding hydrography and cartography of inland waters. Member States are requested to complete the questionnaire at Annex A to this Circular Letter by **10 February 2008** and send the completed questionnaire to the addresses indicated in the questionnaire.

On behalf of the Directing Committee Yours sincerely,

Captain Robert WARD Director

Annex A: HCIWWG Questionnaire on Inland Waters

			Annex A to IHB CL 112/2007		
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2.	Replying body:	State:	Replying body:		
		Point of contact for further	information concerning this response:		
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3.	Country/Area/Region covered by this response:	[Indicate what country/Area or region the reply covers; for example: country name, area of Regional Hydrographic Commission or INT Charting area, or other area]			
		Country:	Region:		
4.	Are there inland waters or waterways (lakes, rivers, estuaries, etc.) in your Country/Area/Region?				
	If YES, what is (are) the Organisation(s) in charge of the hydrography and nautical cartography of these waters in your Country/Area/Region?	[Please also give contact inj	ormation for these Organisations]		

	In the case of more than one responsible Organisation, what are the limits between the areas of responsibility?		
5.	Do you believe that IHO may have a significant role for these inland waters? If YES, please explain briefly why and how.	[Please indicate why you believe the IHO may have a significant role to these inland waters and give some examples how this role may be seen in practice.]	
		[Please give also references to relevant documents or web pages, if there are any]	
6.	Please indicate any international body which may have influence on this issue	[Please list relevant bodies, e.g. government bodies, committees, working groups private companies etc. Give also contact details, especially e-mail address]	
7.	Any other relevant information or comments?	[Please provide any other relevant information that you may have]	
	Thank You!		