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NEW IHO MEMBER STATE

ROMANIA

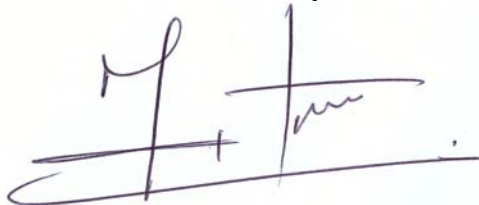
Dear Hydrographer,

1 The Directing Committee is very happy to announce that the Romania has become the 77th Member State of the International Hydrographic Organization. The IHB has received official confirmation from the External Relations Department of Monaco that Romania, whose application for membership had received the required approval by two-thirds of the IHO Member States in April 2005, deposited their Instrument of Ratification of the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization with the Government of Monaco (depository of the IHO Convention) on 29 January 2007.

2 The Government of the Principality of Monaco informs the Government parties to the IHO Convention that, in conformity with Article XX, the Convention therefore entered into force for Romania on 29 January 2007.

3 The Directing Committee is delighted to welcome Romania to the IHO and to the international hydrographic community.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,



Vice Admiral Alexandros MARATOS
President