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**NEW IHO MEMBER STATE**

**IRELAND**

Dear Hydrographer,

1 The Directing Committee is very pleased to announce that Ireland has become the 80th Member State of the International Hydrographic Organization. The IHB has now received official confirmation from the External Relations Department of Monaco that Ireland, whose application for membership had received the required approval by two-thirds of the IHO Member States in July 2006, deposited their Instrument of Accession to the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization with the Government of Monaco (depository of the IHO Convention) on 4 June 2007.

2 The Government of the Principality of Monaco is informing the Government parties to the IHO Convention that, in conformity with Article XX, the Convention therefore entered into force for Ireland on 4 June 2007.

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

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'K. Barbor', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Rear Admiral Kenneth BARBOR  
Director