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**THE INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC REVIEW
THE EDITOR AND PRINTED VERSION**

References: a) CL 100/2008 dated 01 December
b) CL 15/2009 dated 20 February
c) CL 40/2009 dated 16 June

Dear Hydrographer,

1. In the Circular Letter in reference a) above, the Directing Committee proposed a new layout for the content of the International Hydrographic Review (IHR), a set of technical instructions for contributors, a work flow chart and the composition of the Editorial Board. The Circular Letter in reference b) proposed a revised Administrative Resolution, now IHO Resolution 6/2009, formerly Resolution Q2.5. The approval of this Resolution was reported in the Circular Letter in reference c).
2. In 2009 two editions of the IHR were published under the new arrangements; the first edition for 2010 has been completed and is posted on the IHO Web site, and the second edition is now well advanced. All this has been possible thanks to the contributors, Editorial Board and the IHR Editor, Mr. Adam KERR, who has continued supporting the IHB during the period of transition to the new IHR format. Mr. KERR agreed to continue as Editor for a period of two years following which the position would become open for applications. Mr. KERR would prefer not to continue in the position.
3. This Circular Letter now seeks applicants for the position of IHR Editor, whose general responsibilities are as follows:
 - a. to liaise and maintain contact with the IHB Director in charge of the IHR to receive general guidance on the overall development of the IHR.
 - b. to communicate with the hydrographic community worldwide in order to find contributions from experts on subjects related to hydrography, nautical cartography, safety of navigation and other fields of IHO competence and relevance, either in the form of articles, notes or general information.
 - c. to liaise principally with the Editorial Board, but not only, to identify authors for articles, notes and information and peer reviewers.
 - d. to undertake proof reading of the content of the IHR.
 - e. to manage the overall process to ensure the timely issue of two annual editions of the IHR.
 - f. to attend Meetings and Conferences as and when requested by the IHB for the collection of material for the IHR.

The IHR Editor must:

- i. be fluent in English.
- ii. be available to oversee and manage the various stages in the preparation of each edition of the IHR.
- iii. sign a Letter of Agreement with the IHB establishing terms of reference and responsibility.

The IHO budget includes an annual provision of up to 10,000 Euros to support the IHR.

4. IHO Member States are encouraged to invite suitable interested candidates to apply through their national HOs. The names of applicants should be forwarded to the IHB **by 30 September 2010**. Applications must include the candidate's Curriculum Vitae. The Directing Committee will make its selection in the first half of October so that the selected candidate can begin work on the first edition of the IHR in 2011.

5. The Directing Committee had been tasked to investigate whether companies/manufacturers of hydrographic equipment would be interested in advertising their products in a possible printed version of the IHR, once the digital format of the IHR was in place. Publicity was included in the previous printed version, the rationale being that additional advertising income would allow the Organization to better support the IHR. Unfortunately, out of the 28 invitations sent to companies, only two replies were received: one reply expressed interest and the other indicated that the possibility of advertising might be considered. In conclusion, as there is not sufficient support for publicity in the IHR, the IHB will continue to print only the number of copies required for its internal use, that is to say for Member States only.

6. The Directing Committee is very conscious of the academic and historical value that the IHR provides and will continue to work towards maintaining the International Hydrographic Review to the highest possible standard. Your cooperation, contributions and active support will all contribute towards this aim.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Hugo Gorziglia', written in a cursive style.

Captain Hugo GORZIGLIA
Director