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**IHO CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT  
Course in Marine Cartography**

**SELECTED CANDIDATES  
Taunton, UK 7 March - 8 April 2011**

(1<sup>st</sup> 5-week Module of the UK Category B Programme recognized by the FIG-IHO-ICA International Board on Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors and Nautical Cartographers)

Reference: CL 68/2010 dated 21 October 2010.

Dear Hydrographer,

1. In the above-referenced Circular Letter, the IHB invited the IHO Member States to consider nominating one suitable candidate who would benefit from the training opportunity offered by the IHO Capacity Building Project in the field of nautical cartography to technical personnel in developing countries. The Regional Hydrographic Commission Chairmen were invited to liaise with their Associate Members and Observer countries so that they could also consider applying for this training opportunity.
2. The IHB was again impressed by the outstanding response received to this call for applications: 31 applications were received from the same number of countries.
3. The IHB examined all the documentation received. The candidates from Bahrain, Bangladesh, Cyprus, Guyana, Mauritius, Mozambique, Paraguay, Slovenia and Suriname were finally selected for the "Course in Marine Cartography" that will be run in Taunton, UK, from 07 March to 08 April 2011. Individual notification letters have been sent by e-mail by the IHB and further instructions will follow.
4. Several applicants were found to already have had similar or higher level training, and therefore it was felt that this course was not suitable to improve their knowledge, considering the practical nature of the course. Other applicants complying with the required credits for acceptance on the course belong to HOs whose capabilities are well developed or who have already benefitted from similar or higher training opportunities offered by the IHO. Priority was given to HOs in sound need of this training for production purposes, who have not had an

opportunity before. The IHB will continue its effort to increase the offer of training opportunities in the three phases of the capacity building development: Marine Safety Information (MSI); Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Cartography, exploring every possible opportunity.

5. The IHB would like to congratulate those selected candidates, to thank the IHO Member States and non-Member States for their great interest and to reiterate the need to consider a regional approach in identifying innovative ways to meet the huge demand for training that exists within the hydrographic community.

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

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

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