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**GEBCO SUB-COMMITTEE ON UNDERSEA FEATURE NAMES (SCUFN)**

**NEW MEMBER**

Reference: Circular Letter 54/2012 dated 23 May

Dear Hydrographer,

1 The IHB would like to thank the following 21 Member States who replied to the Reference: Belgium; Canada; Chile; Croatia; Cuba; Estonia; Finland; Guatemala; Iceland; India; Italy; Mexico; Netherlands; Norway; Romania; Russia; Slovenia; South Africa; Spain; Turkey and Ukraine.

2 As a result, three candidates have been proposed to fill the existing vacancy in the SCUFN membership:

- LCdr Felipe BARRIOS, SHOA, Chile;
- Cdr Y.V. RAMAKRISHNA, INHO, India; and
- Mr Leonid SHALNOV, DNO, Russia.

3 After careful consideration of the information provided in support of the proposed candidates, the IHB in consultation with the SCUFN Chair and Vice Chair (Dr. Hans Werner SCHENKE, Germany and Ms. Lisa TAYLOR, USA, respectively) concluded that all three candidates have the required expertise to participate in the SCUFN work, but that the candidate who best satisfies the criteria for the selection of SCUFN Members, as described in paragraph 3 of the Reference, is:

**LCdr Felipe BARRIOS, SHOA, Chile**

It was noted, in particular, that LCdr BARRIOS has followed the two-year post graduate GEBCO course, funded by the Nippon Foundation at the University of New Hampshire (USA).

4 As a result, LCdr BARRIOS' name has been included in the SCUFN Membership list as an IHO representative, as reflected in Annex A. It is hoped that despite the short notice, LCdr BARRIOS will be able to attend the next SCUFN meeting (Wellington, New Zealand, 23-27 October 2012).

5 The IHB is grateful to Chile, India and Russia for proposing candidates for SCUFN and wishes to congratulate LCdr Felipe BARRIOS for his nomination as new member of SCUFN representing the IHO.

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'H. Gorziglia', written on a light yellow background.

Captain Hugo GORZIGLIA  
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Annex A: SCUFN Membership list (August 2012)

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