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**SIGNING OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
THE INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION  
AND THE NIPPON FOUNDATION**

Reference:

- A. IHO CL 53/2013 dated 18 September - *Proposed MoU between the International Hydrographic Organization and the Nippon Foundation.*

Dear Hydrographer,

1 The Directing Committee thanks the following Member States for their supportive responses and comments concerning the establishment of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the International Hydrographic Organization and the Nippon Foundation that was announced in the Reference: Algeria, Canada, Chile, Ecuador and Peru. The Republic of Korea asked some questions of clarification after the response deadline. These were answered by the Directing Committee.

2 There were no objections raised by Member States. Accordingly, the President of the Directing Committee signed the MoU on behalf of the IHO on 26 November 2013. Mr Yohei Sasakawa, Chairman of the Nippon Foundation, signed the MoU on behalf of the Nippon Foundation on 18 December 2013.

3 The Directing Committee considers that the MoU acknowledges the very successful relationship between the Nippon Foundation and the IHO for capacity building and provides opportunities for further cooperation in the future.

4 A copy of the MoU is available on the IHO website at Home> Letters&Documents> MOU&Agreements> The Nippon Foundation.

On behalf of the Directing Committee  
Yours sincerely,

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President