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**CATEGORY "B" MARINE GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION PROGRAMME
SPONSORED BY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Reference: IHO CL 73/2014 dated 10 November - *Category "B" Marine Geospatial Information Programme Sponsored by the Republic of Korea - Call for Applications*

Dear Hydrographer,

1. In the above-referenced Circular Letter, the Directing Committee invited the IHO Member States to consider nominating suitable candidates who would benefit from the opportunity offered by the IHO - Republic of Korea Capacity Building Project to enrol in Phase 1 of a "Marine Geospatial Information Programme" which will take place at the Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Administration (KHOA), Busan, Republic of Korea (ROK), from 2 March to 10 April 2015.

2. The IHB received 11 applications from the following Member States: Australia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Cuba, Ecuador, Iran (Republic Islamic of), Jamaica, Latvia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand and also one application from Viet Nam whose approval to join the IHO was obtained in October 2014 and is expected to submit its Instrument of Accession very soon. The Selection Board, comprising representatives from KHOA and the IHB, met via videoconference on 12 January 2015 and examined all the applications received.

3. The candidates from **Bahrain** (Mr. Omar Alshaer), **Cuba** (Ms. Vivian Hernández Espinosa), **Ecuador** (Mr. Edison Enrique Guamán Mejillones), **Iran (Republic Islamic of)** (Mr. Hesam Taghi Abadi) and **Viet Nam** (Mr. Manh Dong Duy, who was specifically supported by the Project's sponsoring State, the ROK) were selected for the course to be held at the KHOA. Individual notification letters are being sent by the IHB together with the instructions to be followed by the selected applicants. The successful applicants have been selected as individuals and are expected to attend in person. In the case of a selected candidate being unable to attend, a replacement will be chosen by the Selection Board from the list of reserve candidates.

4. The Directing Committee advises those organizations, whose applicants have not been selected this time, to keep abreast of the future opportunities. The Directing Committee is continuing to seek additional resources to enable similar courses to be delivered through new funding.

5. The Directing Committee congratulates those candidates who have been selected and thanks the IHO Member States for their interest. The Directing Committee would also like to renew its thanks to the Republic of Korea for its substantial support of the IHO Capacity Building and other programmes.

On behalf of the Directing Committee

Yours sincerely,

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Mustafa IPTES
Director