



IHB File No. S3/0104

CIRCULAR LETTER 86/2015
10 December 2015

**APPROVAL OF REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE AND
RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE IRCC**

Reference: IHO CL 73/2015 dated 25 September - *Revision of the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Inter-Regional Coordination Committee (IRCC)*.

Dear Hydrographer,

1. The Directing Committee thanks those 44 Member States that responded to the above-referenced Circular Letter (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, Croatia, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uruguay). All responses were positive.
2. As of the date of issue of the Circular Letter in reference, there were 85 IHO Member States with three States suspended. Therefore, in accordance with paragraph 6 of Article VI of the Convention on the IHO, the majority required for adoption of the proposed revision is 42. As a result, the proposed revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the IRCC have been approved and consequently adopted.
3. The revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the IRCC have now been uploaded to the IHO website under the IRCC section – Committees & WG → Inter-Regional Coordination Committee → Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,

Mustafa IPTES
Director