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Dear Colleagues

Subject: Election of Vice-Chairman of NCWG

Following the resignation of Mr Nick Webb as Vice-Chairman of NCWG on his retirement from the UK Hydrographic Office (effective 31 March 2016), it is required for the Working Group to elect a new Vice-Chair. This has been included as an Agenda item for the forthcoming NCWG2 meeting (26-29 April 2016).

This NCWG Letter is to inform members of the Working Group that I will be retiring from the Australian Hydrographic Service in the latter half of this year, and consequently will also be required to stand down as Chair of the NCWG.

In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the NCWG, the Vice-Chair shall act as the Chair of the Working Group with the same powers and duties in the event that the Chair is unable to carry out the duties of the office. Therefore **Member States wishing to nominate their NCWG delegate for the Vice-Chair position at NCWG2 must be prepared for them to take up the position of Chair of the Working Group from the latter half of 2016.** It is expected that when this occurs, a new election will be held to appoint a new Vice-Chair of the Working Group.

Please note that delegates do not need to be present at the NCWG2 meeting to nominate, and if this is the case please indicate your intention to nominate to myself <jeff.wootton@defence.gov.au>, copy to the Secretary <Andrew.Coleman@ukho.gov.uk> and the IHB <adcs@iho.int>, before **26 April 2016**.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nick for his contribution to the Working Group over the last 2 years, and to wish him all the best in his retirement on behalf of the NCWG.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Wootton,
Chairman