## INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION

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### UNDERSEA FEATURE NAME PROPOSAL

(Sea NOTE overleaf)

Note: The boxes will expand as you fill the form.

Name Proposed	posed: Mammerickx Microplate		Ocean or Sea: In		ndian Ocean					
Geometry that best defines the feature (Yes/No) :										
Point	Line	Polygon	Multiple points	Multiple lines*	Multiple	Combination of				
					polygons*	geometries*				
		Yes								

\* Geometry should be clearly distinguished when providing the coordinates below. Lat. (e.g. 63°32.6'N) Long. (e.g. 046°21.3'W) 22°S (approx. centre point of 84°E (approx. centre point of microplate) microplate) Coordinates that define a polygon: Coordinates that define a polygon: -21.8075711645 82.9510748387 -21.4942659983 82.5237316007 -21.2994117584 82.2820336332 -21.1388522493 82.1432179056 -21.0023860769 82.0933133526 -20.8745570398 82.0703854597 -20.5543710733 82.0464389995 -20.3628097142 82.0976443913 -20.1717105859 82.2305471589 -20.2096442753 82.4115718152 -20.0228325046 82.5871324812 -20.2335033064 82.7787624577 -20.0250490111 83.0426128023 -20.215994979 83.2175035632 -20.3593268306 83.0716098609 -20.4966980084 83.2216525122 -20.3583204493 83.3396204106 -20.6908396586 83.6725252351 Coordinates: -20.6466246866 83.9546569505 -20.9581350024 84.1756699694 -20.9534014466 84.4198406711 -20.9036215186 84.785871563 -21.1757002762 84.9406898134 -21.1593451723 85.2936621385 -21.2327417611 85.4668019272 -21.415676601 85.6667769984 85.9300083706 -21.6626877433 -21.8661769791 86.0873985524 86.230521371 -22.3041382215 -22.6137679318 86.3226447585 -22.8801765426 86.3515926595 -23.1930806106 86.2137582392 -23.5582294031 85.8769819467 -23.8341107094 84.9295821374 -23.854964838 84.588571306 -23.6970501924 84.4490192469 -23.5005054 84.3769099233 -23.2907158037 84.2966972944 -22.9839575452 84.085226264 83.7206563905 -22.4854216949

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Feature Minimum De Description: Total Relief :		epth :		ness: : nsion/Size:	rectangular – elliptical ~95000 km <sup>2</sup>	
Associated Features:		These features listed below were all identified in satellite altimetry-derived vertical gravity gradient maps, while multibeam bathymetry maps (listed later in the form) were used to confirm the rotated abyssal hill fabric.				
		An <b>extinct ridge</b> forms the northern boundary of the microplate and a <b>pseudofault</b> forms the southern boundary (its <b>conjugate pseudofault</b> is located north of the Kerguelen Plateau – centred on ~64°45′E, 40°45′S). Rotated <b>abyssal hill fabric</b> , oblique to the dominant spreading direction between India and Antarctica at the time of formation, is identified in the southeastern section of the microplate, as well as adjacent to the extinct ridge (in multibeam bathymetry maps).				
Chart/Map References:		Shown Named on Map/Chart:		-		
		Shown Unnamed on Map/Chart: Within Area of Map/Chart:		-		
Reason for Choice of Name (if a person, state how associated with the feature to be named):		We have named the microplate after Dr Jacqueline Mammerickx, a former Scripps Institution of Oceanography researcher. Dr Mammerickx devoted her career to seafloor mapping, with an emphasis on plate tectonics and mapping microplates in the Pacific Ocean. Dr Mammerickx is also the official proposer of 33 feature names in the GEBCO Undersea Feature Names Gazetteer, and is the discoverer of two of these features.  This is the first Pacific-style microplate to be identified in the Indian Ocean, and Dr Mammerickx's pioneering work in the Pacific, particularly related to the Mathematician Microplate, was pivotal for our discovery. Her work helped us with both identifying and mapping the microplate, and also interpreting its formation.				
Discovery Facts:		Discovery Date:		(October 2015 microplate s Planetary Sc 2016 –	st identified in 2014 b – paper describing the ubmitted to Earth and ience Letters; January paper published)	
		Discoverer (Individual,	Ship):	Dr Kara J. Matt Prof R. Dietma Prof David T. S	r Müller	
		Date of Survey:		:	1/08 - 1997/02/14 Expedition Leg 4	
Supporting Survey Data, including Track Controls:		Survey Ship: Sounding Equipement: Type of Navigation: Estimated Horizontal A	ccuracy (nm):		//V Melville	
		Survey Track Spacing: Supporting material car	n be submitted as	Annex in analog	or digital form.	

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#### Remarks:

The Mammerickx Microplate was discovered and defined using satellite altimetry-derived vertical gravity gradient (VGG) data. The VGG dataset from Sandwell et al. (2014) [Sandwell, D.T., Müller, R.D., Smith, W.H., Garcia, E., Francis, R., 2014. New global marine gravity model from CryoSat-2 and Jason-1 reveals buried tectonic structure. Science 346, 65–67.] combines new altimeter measurements from the CryoSat-2 and Jason-1 satellites with older data from Geosat and ERS-1.

Multibeam bathymetry data from the 1997 Sojourn Expedition Leg 4, R/V Melville (details listed above under 'Supporting Survey Data'), were used to confirm the existence of the microplate. In particular, we were able to identify two distinct abyssal hill orientations near the extinct ridge. The abyssal hills away from the extinct ridge are perpendicular to the dominant spreading direction between India and Antarctica at the time, while the group of abyssal hills near the extinct ridge are oblique indicating rotation of the dying ridge, as is seen at Pacific microplates.

The formation of the microplate is described in detail in the publication listed below. Note: see Figure 1 for VGG map interpretations and Figure 5 for multibeam bathymetry interpretations.

### Publication:

Matthews, K.J., Müller, R.D., Sandwell, D.T., 2016. Oceanic microplate formation records the onset of India–Eurasia collision. Earth. Planet. Sci. Lett. 433, 204-214.

Finally, along with this proposal we also include a copy of the above publication and its supplementary material, an additional map showing the microplate and associated structures, and ESRI Shapefile and Google Earth-formatted outlines.

NOTE: This form should be forwarded, when completed:

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  exist or is not known, either to the IHB or to the IOC (see addresses below);
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