



INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION  
MESO AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN SEA HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION



MACHC Letter  
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Date, 13 January 2015

To: Inter-Regional Coordination Committee (IRCC)  
Attn. Rear Admiral Tom Karsten (Chair)  
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**Subject: Progress Report IRCC actions**

Dear Sir,

With reference to the list of actions agreed at the IRCC 6 meeting, we hereby send you the MACHC progress report (vide attachment).

Hope to have informed you sufficiently.

Sincerely yours,

  
Mr. M. Amafo LL.M (IMLI)  
MACHC Chair

No.	Requested Action	Action taken	Status
IRCC6/01	Encourage the approval of pending applications for IHO membership	At the 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting MS were encouraged to inform the IHB accordingly	Completed
IRCC6/02	Continue to engage pending applicants in their region to encourage the ratification of the IHO Convention	At the 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting MS were encouraged to inform the IHB accordingly	Completed
IRCC6/03	Consider the participation of stakeholders at the RHC conferences	Stakeholders and organizations were invited to attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting	Completed
IRCC6/04	Continue to engage suspended Member States (MSs) in their region to encourage their readmission to the IHO	At the 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting MS this item was highlighted by the IHB president.	Completed
IRCC6/05	Provide the IRCC Chair with progress reports on the relevant tasks in the IHO 2014 Work Programme (10)	To be completed by Jan 2015	To be completed by Jan 2015
IRCC6/07	Provide to the IRCC Chair the estimated values of SPIs and agreed WPIs as of 31 December 2014 and target values for 31 December 2017, complemented by the comments on the difficulties encountered and suggestions for a way forward	To be completed by Jan 2015	To be completed by Jan 2015
IRCC6/08	Invite GEBCO Guiding Committee / Bathymetric Regional Project Chairs to attend corresponding RHCs meetings, aiming at strengthening collaboration with a priority on improving high resolution shallow water bathymetry at the regional level (6)	Organization was invited to attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting	Completed
IRCC6/09	Encourage MSs and representatives of industry and academia to promote and to work together to ensure that the best possible use is made of Satellite Derived Bathymetry (11)	Completed at 15 <sup>th</sup> MACHC meeting	Completed
IRCC6/15	Provide material to the IHB to promote the achievements of IRCC bodies including CBSC, GEBCO	At the 15th MACHC meeting a CB meeting was organized by the MACHC CB Coordinator the results of which will be reported to the CBSC/IHB	Completed

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IRCC6/17	Invite Hydrographic Office representatives to be prepared to discuss Proposals 4 (Crowd Sourced Bathymetry - CSB) and 6 (Satellite Derived Bathymetry- SDB) during EIHC5	Completed	Completed
IRCC6/18	Hydrographic Office representatives to be ready to present the regional view on CSB and SDB during EIHC5	Completed	Completed
IRCC6/28	Encourage National Hydrographers to invest in English language training in order to increase the chances of their candidates being selected to Cat A and Cat B training courses delivered in English	Completed	Permanent
IRCC6/40	Facilitate resolution of inconsistencies between paper charts and ENCs and between ENCs from different producers	Completed	Permanent
IRCC6/41	Consider opportunities to interact with stakeholders in 2014 and encourage participation in the relevant events	Completed	Completed
IRCC6/42	Notify Member States in their regions of opportunities for interaction and encourage participation with relevant stakeholders in accordance with CL 8/2014	Completed	Completed
IRCC6/46	Encourage MSs in their respective regions to use the Risk Assessment methodology to establish Hydrographic Survey priorities	The MACHC assessed and discussed a few different risk assessment methods. MICC WG will work with UKHO , to refine a simplified method using AIS, CATZOC, and depth in the OECS. A correspondence group will be formed to develop a specification or recommendation on the way forward to the next IRCC.	Completed