Meso-American - Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission (MACHC)



Haiti Follow up Visit (CBWP Event A-06/2017)

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ACTION LIST ITEM 15.6.2.3

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				Updated:	13/09/2017	
IHO WP Element: Capacity Building Assessment - Technical and High-Level Visits						
No.	Events	Responsible	Budget	Status	Resources	
A-01	Technical visit to Gambia	EAtHC	5 000,00€	Led by SHOM 23-29 July 2017 DONE	IHO	
	High-level visit to Seychelles	NIOHC	5 000,00€	Led by IHO Secretariat 8-12 May 2017 DONE	IHO	
A-03	Technical implementation visits to Dominican Republic and El Salvador	MACHC	8 400,00€	1 Jates	IHO	
A-04	Technical visit to Azerbaijan	MBSHC	5 000,00€	Led by Turkey 11-15 December 2017 (or 18-22 dec 2017)	IHO	
A-05	Technical visit to Cambodia (former 2016 CBWP A-07)	EAHC	3 400,00 €	Led by Malaysia 3-5 April 2017 DONE	IHO	
A-06	Haiti follow-up visit	MACHC	10 000,00€	Led by USA 19-22 June 2017 <mark>DONE</mark>	IHO	
A-07	Technical Visit to Cabo Verde	EAtHC	5 000,00€	Led by SHOM 27 March-1 April 2017 DONE	IHO	
		-	41 800,00€			

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Haiti follow up visit 2017 - Chronology









	Monday 19 th					
	16:00	Arrival	Welcome at the airport			
	Tuesday 20 th					
OHALE	09:00 - 10 :30	SEMANAH	SEMANAH and the IHO Presentation			
	10:30 - 12:00	МТРТС	Work Session			
	14:00 - 16:00	APN (Port Authority)	Visit of places - Work Session			
	Wednesday 21 th					
	10:00 - 11 :30	Prime Minister Office	Work Session			
	14:00 - 15:30	Haitian Coast-Guard	Visit of places - Work Session			
	Thursday 22 th					
	09:00 - 10:30	SEMANAH	Work Session: coop SEMANAH - NGA, DHN & SHOM			
	11:00 - 12:00	Presidency Office	Work Session			
	14:00 - 16:00	Parliament	Work Session			
	Friday 23 th					
	14:00	Departure	Farewell at the airport			



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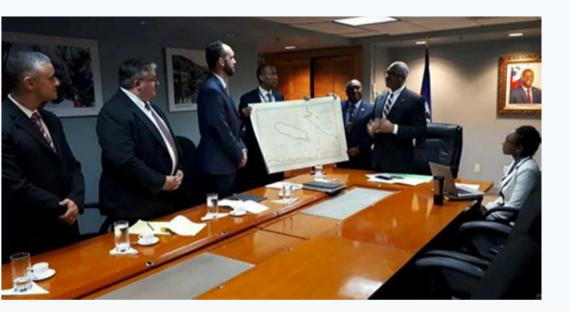
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- Hydrographic (SofN) point of view:
 - Correlated subjects (mapping) falls under different ministries. Need to establish discussions so as to do a joint work.
 - Good cooperation (and otions for it) with other institutions (ANP survey boats).
 - The Assistant Minister expressed that Haiti needed support with the administration of Aids to Navigation in Haiti (IALA would be welcome).
 - Haiti looks to establish a Maritime Training Center .
 - Haiti needs to designate a national authority to serve as a repository for all hydrographic survey data collected within Haitian waters (no legislation, ≠ institutions collect data). SEMANAH would be the likely candidate to do that for Haiti (CNIGS plays the role for land).

- Hydrographic (SofN) point of view:
 - Need for hydrographic equipments (CG bases could also provide a stable location for the placement of tide gauges throughout Haiti).
 - CNIGS sometimes does receive hydrographic data that SEMANAH has not received. This information is stored in the database and could be made available via the web as well.

• Political point of view:

- Haiti gov't had some misunderstood about the process to become a IHO MS. They thought the government needed to ratify the IHO Conventions in Parliament first. IHO Delegation made them aware that this was not necessary and they just needed to formally submit an official letter (copy provided).
- All the visited institutions showed interest in the IHO membership. PM showed personal commitment.
- SEMANAH felt the Delegations presence was important in highlighting the Hydrography in Haiti and was beneficial in Haiti's formal induction into IHO.



Haiti Prime Minister Dr. Jack Guy Lafontant



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Haiti follow up visit 2017 - Recommendations

• Still under construction:

- The Gov't of Haiti to submit the Letter of Adhesion to formally join IHO as a full member. Additionally, they should establish the mechanism to pay the IHO Dues once the finalized rate is calculated based on Haiti's ship tonnage.
- The Gov't of Haiti to form a National Hydrographic Committee to coordinate national hydrographic requirements. This committee should include representation from all stakeholder groups.
- The Gov't of Haiti to enact a law establishing an organization as the repository for all hydrographic information collected in Haiti. This could also include language requiring a centralized authorization process for conducting hydrographic surveys to reduce redundancy of survey operations.

Action requested of CBSC/MACHC

• Note this report.



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