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MACHC Letter 03/2017

Date, 20 January 2017

To:

Vice Admiral MARCOS SAMPAIO OLSEN

Director DHN

Subject: 17th MACHC Conference

Dear Admiral,

With this letter I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you and your team for the excellent organisation of the 17^{th} MACHC Conference in Belém. The oral translation service again proved to be instrumental to the success of the Conference.

As chair it is impossible to conduct a MACHC Conference without the active support of a Host nation. The open and cooperative spirit of all of your team was commendable. Through your support you have made a valuable contribution to the status of hydrography in our region.

I especially want to mention Captain Nickolás Rocher. His constant drive and commitment proved to be instrumental to the success of the Conference. He is an asset to your organisation.

On a more personal note, I want to thank you for the opportunity to visit DHN in Niteroi on the 19^{th} December. I was impressed by the enthusiasm and professionalism of your team.

Lastly, I wish you and your staff all the best and good health for 2017.

Yours sincerely,

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