



INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION
MESO AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN SEA HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION



MACHC Letter 37 / 2009
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To:
MACHC Member States
International Hydrographic Bureau

Subject: **MACHC International Chart Committee (ICC)**

Reference: MACHC Letter 33/2009

Dear Colleagues,

1. Through MACHC Letter 33/2009 the Chair notified the International Chart Committee Coordinator, the Joint Directorate of Oceanography, Hydrography and Meteorology (DIGAOHM) of Mexico in regard to the resolutions taken at the Xth MACHC Meeting, especially the one related inquiring Mexico about its intention to continue as the International Chart Committee Chair in light of "the approval of the HSSC suggestion of ToR and RoP to Regional Chart Coordinator and looking forward to having one coordinator for both, the INT Charts and the ENC's".

2. Mexico's response to our inquire was the following: "*We greatly appreciate your attention and consideration, however we are sad to inform you that, at this moment, we are not able to accept your offer. Instead, we are glad to know your willingness to assume that responsibility and we would like to assure our support and collaboration in the accomplishing of the task that this new designation will face*".

3. So, as decided at the Xth MACHC Meeting, from now Brazil has taken over the position as MACHC International Chart Coordinator. The designated Person of Contact is Captain Carlos Augusto Medeiros de Albuquerque, e-mail <albuquerque@dhn.mar.mil.br>.

On behalf of all MACHC Members, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mexico very much for all its efforts during the past years as the MACHC INT Chart Chair, which effectively contributed to the safety of navigation within the Region.

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