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Subject : Draft Disaster Action Plan for MBSHC

Dear Colleagues,

1. As agreed by the MBSHC (MBSHC18/01 and MBSHC18/02), the Chair was tasked by the Commission to circulate the Draft Disaster Action Plan for MBSHC which was first presented by TR in MBSHC17 in Athens.
2. The Draft Disaster Action Plan is in the Annex with minor editorial changes and all MBSHC Member States (MSs), Associated MSs (AMSs) and Observers are kindly requested to send their comments to the Office of Navigation, Hydrography and Oceanography (ONHO) via e-mail (info@shodb.gov.tr and b.inan@shodb.gov.tr) by **31 December 2013**. Subsequently, the consolidated Draft Disaster Action Plan for MBSHC will be re-circulated for your further comments.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex A (Draft Disaster Action Plan for MBSHC)

THE DRAFT DISASTER ACTION PLAN for MBSHC

When any disaster happens within the region;

1. The Chair shall be responsible for co-ordinating the actions needed.
2. The Chair will communicate, by the quickest means available, with the focal points (preferably the Heads of the Hydrographic Offices) of the States in Table-1, in order to make an initial evaluation of the extent of the damage.
3. The Chair shall ask the State(s) affected for the official request of support and cooperation needed iaw Table-2.
4. In case of official request is received, the Chair shall decide, based on the information collected, whether an extraordinary meeting of the MBSHC is needed, in order to discuss in detail the problems, evaluate the damage and respond to requests for support.
5. The Chair shall inform the IHB on the situation, the actions taken and the need, if any, for external support.
6. The Chair shall monitor the progress of the actions agreed in the area and keep the MBSHC States and the IHB informed accordingly.
7. The Chair shall include this issue as a permanent agenda item in the MBSHC meetings in order to monitor the readiness of the Commission to respond to disasters, conducting regular table-top exercises to evaluate the procedures and revise the plan.

Note: Any Bilateral/Multilateral Support and Cooperation Protocol approved by the Commission to be annexed to the plan.

TABLE 1: Focal Points of the MBSHC States

MBSHC States	Name and Surname	Phone	Mobile Phone	Fax	e-mail	Note
Algeria (DZ)						
Croatia (HR)						
Cyprus (CY)						
Egypt (EG)						
France (FR)						
Georgia (GE)						
Greece (GR)						
Israel (IL)						
Italy (IT)						
Lebanon (LB)						
Libya (LY)						
Malta (MT)						
Monaco (MC)						
Montenegro (MN)						
Morocco (MA)						
Romania (RO)						
Russian Federation (RF)						
Serbia (RS)						
Slovenia (SI)						
Spain (ES)						
Syria (SY)						
Tunisia (TN)						
Turkey (TR)						
Ukraine (UA)						

