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Subject: MBSHC SEATS ON THE IHO COUNCIL.

References: 1. IHO CL 52/2019 - Notice of the Distribution of

Regionally-Based Seats on the IHO Council.

2. Annex to the Statutes of the MBSHC - Rules for the selection of Member States from MBSHC to the IHO

Council.

Dear colleagues,

According to Reference 1, the IHO Secretariat has completed the distribution of seats on the IHO Council as per Article 16 in the General Regulations of the IHO. Three Seats on the Council have been allocated to the MBSHC.

This Chair has received communications from Croatia, France, Italy and Turkey stating their interest to apply for a Seat on the IHO Council as MBSHC representatives.

Spain as the MBSHC Chair is also interested in applying, and consequently there are more applications than Seats allocated to the MBSHC for the forthcoming IHO Council.

This case is covered in Rule no 5 in Reference 2, which states:

5. If the number of candidates is more than the number of seats allocated, a voting will take place at a Conference of the MBSHC, or by correspondence if no MBSHC Conference is scheduled in the three months prior to the IHO Assembly. Each Member State will submit one voting paper listing the Member States from the list of candidates equal to the number of seats allocated. The highest voted candidates will be selected from the MBSHC. In case of a draw, the Chair will cast a deciding vote.

Consequently, as there is no MBSHC Conference scheduled before the 2nd IHO Assembly, all Member States submit a voting form to the email address ihmesp@fn.mde.es no later than 30th November 2019. Each Member State may choose up to 3 candidates as representatives of the MBSHC to the forthcoming IHO Council.

A proposal listing the three most voted candidates will be submitted by this MBSHC Chair to the IHO Secretariat for their appointment as MBSHC representatives to the IHO Council in the 2nd IHO Assembly.

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MBSHC Chairman

Captain José Daniel González-Aller Lacalle