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### MBSHC CIRCULAR LETTER Nº 06/2019

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.
  3. MBSHC Circular Letter no. 05/2019.

Dear colleagues,

As stated in Reference 3, the IHO Secretariat allocated three Seats to the MBSHC on the IHO Council as per Article 16 in the General Regulations of the IHO. Croatia, France, Italy, Spain and Turkey applied for a Seat on the IHO Council as MBSHC representatives. As there were more applications than Seats allocated to the MBSHC for the forthcoming IHO Council, Rule no 5 in Reference 2 was implemented:

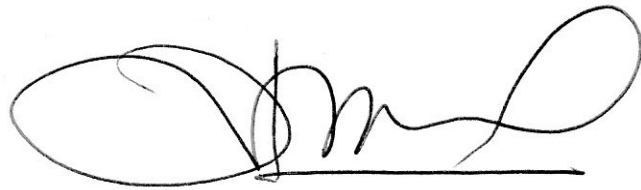
*5. If the number of candidates is more than the number of seats allocated, a voting will take place at a Conference of the MBSHC, or by correspondence if no MBSHC Conference is scheduled in the three months prior to the IHO Assembly. Each Member State will submit one voting paper listing the Member 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.*

All Member States were asked to submit a voting form to the email address [ihmesp@fn.mde.es](mailto:ihmesp@fn.mde.es) no later than 30th November 2019 choosing up to 3 candidates as representatives of the MBSHC to the forthcoming IHO Council, and 18 responses were received. The Chair wishes to thank **Algeria, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, France, Georgia, Greece, Italy, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey and Ukraine** for their cooperation in this matter.

The final tally of votes was as follows:

1. ITALY: 16 votes.
2. SPAIN: 13 votes.
3. FRANCE: 12 votes.
4. TURKEY: 7 votes.
5. CROATIA: 4 votes.

Consequently, a proposal listing the three most voted candidates (**Italy, Spain, France**) 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'J' followed by 'D', 'G', 'A', and 'L' in a cursive script. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

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MBSHC Chairman  
Captain José Daniel González-Aller Lacalle

To: MBSHC Members, Associated Members, Observers and IHO Representatives.