



# South West Atlantic Hydrographic Commission (SWAtHC) 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting 24-25<sup>th</sup> of March, 2011 Arraial do Cabo, Brazil

#### Report of the SWAtHC 5th Meeting

#### 1. Opening

#### 1.1 Welcome

Vice-Admiral Luiz Fernando Palmer Fonseca welcomed participants to Arraial do Cabo and formally opened the meeting. He took this opportunity and said that unfortunately the Uruguay's delegation was not going to attend this meeting.

#### 1.2 Agenda approval

The Secretary introduced the Agenda (Doc. CHAtSO.5-1a) and invited the Participants to comment on the document. After that, the Agenda was approved.

#### 1.3 Administrative Arrangements

The Chairman invited the Secretary, Capt. Medeiros de Albuquerque, to provide Participants with administrative details.

# 2. Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> SWAtHC

The Secretary introduced the Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> SWAtHC (Doc. CHAtSO.5-2) which was approved.

#### 3. 4th SWAtHC Action List review

The Secretary introduced the 4<sup>th</sup> SWAtHC Action List (Doc. CHAtSO.5-3 Rev.3) which was approved.

Regarding Action List item 11, Capt. Pegas made some comments about SOHMA's observation regarding the bilateral arrangement proposed by the DHN in order to make ENC harmonization on the maritime borders between Brazil and Uruguay.

Regarding Action List item 12, RA Di Vincenzo said that SHN had sent a proposal to SOHMA to allow ENC harmonization on the maritime borders between Argentina and Uruguay through bilateral arrangement and so far he had been waiting for the SOHMA's comments.





#### 4. IHO/IHB Matters

The Chairman proceeded to the next Agenda item which was IHO Matters, and invited the IHB Director Captain Hugo Gorziglia to preset it.Capt. Gorziglia highlighted the following issues:

- Corporative Matters;
- Hydrographic Standards and Services; and
- Inter-Regional Coordination.

Captain Gorziglia on behalf of the IHO expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to represent the IHB at that meeting.

## 5. National Reports

Each country briefly introduced their National Report.

**National Report of Argentina (CHAtSO.5-05b)** 

No comments on the Argentina Report.

National Report of Brazil (CHAtSO.05-5a)

No comments on the Brazil Report.

National Report of Paraguay (CHAtSO.05-5d)

No comments on the Paraguay Report.

National Report of Uruguay (CHAtSO.5-5c) was forwarded at CHAtSO's Secretary.

# 6. SWAtHC Committees, Working Groups, and Commission Representatives' Report

Following the Agenda, the Chair opened the floor to Capt. Carlos Pêgas, to initiate the report presentations of SWAtHC Committees and Representatives' Reports.

The following matters were presented:

6.1. HSSC (Doc. CHAtSO.5-6 HSSC)

Capt. Pegas made some comments regarding the main points of the last HSSC meeting and recommended that Hydrographic Services took them into account. 6.2. CBSC (Doc. CHAtSO.5-6 CBSC)

Capt. Pegas made some comments regarding the main decisions of the 8<sup>th</sup> CBSC meeting.

6.3. IRCC (Doc. CHAtSO.5-6 IRCC)

Capt. Pegas made some comments regarding the main decisions of the last IRCC meeting and recommended that Hydrographic Services took them into account.





#### 6.4. WENDWG (CHAtSO.5-6 WENDWG)

Capt. Pegas requested that all of SWAtHC's Hydrographic Services update theirs ENC production.

#### 7. SWAtHC Member States Proposals

No proposal was brought up.

#### 8. SWAtHC Relationships with other organizations

Capt. Pegas presented a summary of the main activities of the Inland Waters ENC Harmonization Group (IEHG) and invited to SWAtHC's Member States to become IEHG members.

#### 9. Date and Venue of the next meeting

Regarding the SWAtHC statute, the SOHMA Director will remain the SWAtHC Chair for 45 days after of the end of this meeting, until the 09<sup>th</sup> May, 2011. We agreed that the next meeting will take in place in Montevideo, Uruguay, either in February or in 1<sup>st</sup> fortnight of March 2012.

#### 10. Any Other Business

Following the Agenda, the Chair opened the floor to Mr. Juan Carballini, Caris representative, to make a presentation about "Caris Future in Hydrographic Software".

Then, the Chair invited Capt Costa Neves SWAtHC representative for the editorial committee of the International Hydrographic Review (RHI), to make a presentation about importance of RHI.

#### 11. Approval of the List of Actions

The Secretary read to all SWAtHC Members States the items of the List of Action which had been approved on the occasion.





## 12. Closure

The Chair thanked all delegates from the countries which comprised the SWAtHC meeting for their participation. He made a special request that all SWAtHC's Hydrographic Services make efforts to conclude the ENC coverage for our region.

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