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**5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the IHO CBC  
Approvals of Candidate Bids from SWPHC**

**THIS LETTER REQUIRES YOUR ACTION**

Dear Chairman,

1. The IHO CBC met in Riga, Latvia on 5 to 7 June, and reviewed its Management Plan containing all candidate bids for funding which had been received from RHC Chairmen. The successful bids have been included in the updated Work Programme for 2007 or on the approved Work Programme for 2008. These two Work Programmes have been promulgated in the IHO website ( [www.iho.int](http://www.iho.int) under Committees >>> CBC >>>> Miscellaneous >>>> CBC Basic Documents )

2. I am happy to inform you that the following bids from your RHC were approved for 2008:

Year	Bid	Allocation/Comment
2008 APPROVED	Technical Visit to raise awareness of hydrography, and to advise on implementation of Phase 1 capability, including GMDSS (Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, PNG, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu).	€20k It was the perception of the CBC that priority should be given to Fiji and PNG, as indicated in the IHO CBWP but the <b>SWPHC might wish to consider a different priority.</b>

I would be most grateful if you could consider working this initiative at the next SWPHC Meeting in order to agree on dates and any other coordination required at the level of the RHC.

Also I will appreciate if you could provide me the agreement reached no latter than 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2007. In case we do not receive the requested information by that time, the CBC might postpone the provision of support for a later year, as there are co-ordinations that must be done at a very early stage to ensure success of the events.

The CBC Chairman remains ready to contribute from the IHB to the effective and efficient coordination and organization of this initiative that is programmed for 2008.

3. The CBC gave full consideration to the following bids, which were received direct from the countries concerned, but considered that further information was required to support the proposed action:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Bid</b>	<b>Comment</b>
????	Technical Visit to PNG to advise on establishment of a hydrographic service.	Further analysis of this bid is required in region.
????	Fiji: (1) Hydrographic training course. (2) Secondment of hydrographic adviser.	Further analysis of this bid is required in region.

Once I receive the additional information requested above, I may be able to re-circulate these bids to CBC members for clearance out of committee, and I will inform you of the result. Otherwise, subject to your advice, the CBC will review the bids at its meeting in 2008.

On behalf of the IHO Capacity Building Committee

Yours sincerely,



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