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Annex:

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Subject:

2018 High Level Dialogue on Governance and Management of National

Meteorological and Hydrological Services in developing countries

Action required:

Preliminary Nomination form to be submitted before 21 September 2018

to: The Regional Training Center in Nanjing (Attn: Mr WANG Yong)

(e-mail: rtc@nuist.edu.cn, naxd@cma.gov.cn or fax: +86 10 6217 4797)

Dear Sir/Madam,

At the request of the China Meteorological Administration (CMA), I would like to inform you of the upcoming 2018 High Level Dialogue for Senior Management on Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) in developing countries, in particular, addressed to Ministers and Directors of NMHSs. The event will be organized by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Regional Training Center (RTC) in Nanjing and Beijing from 5 to 16 November 2018. This workshop will be co-sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) of China and by the China Meteorological Administration (CMA).

This High Level Dialogue will provide a high-level forum for exchanging views and experience on management of NMHS and will allow discussions on strategic development in meteorological services and related disaster risk reduction (DRR) activities. It will also facilitate the cooperation among China and other countries under the Belt and Road Initiative in the field of meteorology and related DRR activities, such as meteorological satellite application and Disaster Risk Reduction mechanisms including Global Multi-Hazard Alert System.

The announcement of this workshop has been distributed recently by the Ministry of Commerce of China to the Chinese Embassy in your country.

I would appreciate it if you could explore the possibility of your participation and that of your respective Minister in charge of the NMHS or DRR. Please transmit your application directly as per the attached preliminary nomination form. If accepted, the MOC will request the Chinese Embassy in your country to issue an official invitation. Upon request, the Chinese Embassy will offer a round trip ticket according to the official position of the participant.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang) for the Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of WMO: Bangladesh, Cambodia, United Arab Emirates, Ethiopia, Guinea, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kirghizstan, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Philippines, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Thailand and Viet Nam (limited distribution).

Preliminary Nomination Form

2018 High Level Dialogue On Governance and Management of National Meteorological/Hydrological Services in Developing Countries

(Nanjing, China, 5-16 November 2018)

1.	Family Name:	Middle Name:	First Name:	
2.	Gender (underline or tick)	: Male Fe	male	
3.	Date and Place of Birth:			
4.	Nationality:			
5.	Organization:			
6.	Address of Organization:			
	Tel:Fax:	Mobile:		
7.	Present Position or Occupation:			
8.	Title: Dr/ Prof/ Mr/ Ms/ Mrs/ Miss/ Other(please underline or tick)			
9.	Mother Tongue:			
10.	English Level (underline): Listening (Excellent/Good/Average) Speaking(Excellent/Good/Average)			
11.	French Level (underline): Listening (Excellent/Good/Average) Speaking(Excellent/Good/Average)			
12.	Dietary instructions, if any:			
13.	Curriculum vitae (attach separately)			

Please return the preliminary nomination form to Mr. WANG Yong with RTC-Nanjing (Fax: +86 25 5701 0085, E-mail: rtc@nuist.edu.cn), with a copy to Ms, NA Xiaodan (Fax: +86 10 6217 4797, E-mail: naxd@cma.gov.cn), preferably before **21 September 2018** or as early as possible.

The final decision will be communicated to you by Chinese embassy in your country.

2018 High Level Dialogue

On Governance and Management

of National Meteorological / Hydrological Services in Developing Countries

(Nanjing, China, 5-16 November 2018)

1. Introduction of the local organizer

Nanjing University of Information Science & Technology is a highly recognized Regional Training Center (RTC-Nanjing) by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) as well as UNESCAP/WMO Typhoon Committee. It has held 107 international and 35 bilateral training courses from 1990 to 2017. About 3500 meteorologists and hydrologists from 156 countries (regions) have been trained. Many of them have become the backbone in their respective National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs).

With strong support from Chinese government, RTC-Nanjing provides a wide range of international training courses on various subjects for the development of human resources in developing countries, such as executive management, meteorological observation, weather and climate service, disaster risk reduction, radar meteorology, satellite meteorology, agrometeorology, weather modification, etc. It strictly follows the WMO Manual on the Implementation of Education and Training Standards in Meteorology and Hydrology, Guidelines for the education and training of meteorological personnel in meteorology and operational hydrology, and other regulator materials. More information about NUIST can be found on the website http://en.nuist.edu.cn/.

2. Introduction of the Workshop

The 2018 Dialogue on Management of Meteorological / Hydrological Services in Developing Countries will be organized by WMO Regional Training Center in Nanjing from 6 to 11 November 2018. This Dialogue will be co-sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) of China and China Meteorological Administration (CMA). The expected participants will be the Ministers in charge of National Meteorological / Hydrological Services or related disaster reduction activities, and the Director-General of NMHSs. The formal invitation will be through the Chinese embassies. The Dialogue will be organized in English.

This Dialogue will provide a high-level forum for exchanging and discussing on strategic development in meteorological services and related disaster risk reduction activities. It will also facilitate the cooperation among China and other countries under the Belt and Road Initiative in the field of meteorology and related DRR activities, such as meteorological satellite application, disaster reduction mechanism including Global Multi-Hazard Alert System (GMAS). The Dialogue will take place in Nanjing and Beijing. Visits to CMA and other facilities will be arranged. The participants will have the oopportunity to experience the Chinese high-speed rail.

The nominations will be reviewed by MOC and CMA. If accepted, Chinese embassies in relevant countries will issue official invitations.

The Chinese embassies will offer round trip tickets and local accommodation if requested. Due to the limited budget and number of participants that can be accepted, preliminary nomination of Ministers and his(her) accompanies (PRs preferable) should reach the focal point of this workshop preferably before **21 September 2018** or as early as possible.