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Subject: Consultation from Members of the Commission for Basic Systems (CBS)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to our letters 37328/2017/OBS/CBS/TECO dated 9 November 2017 on the Commission for Basic Systems (CBS) recommendations to EC-70 and Cg-18, and 01194/2018/OBS/CBS/TECO-2018 dated 1 February 2018 announcing the CBS Technical Conference (CBS TECO 2018) (Geneva, Switzerland, 26-29 March 2018), which included clarifications about the process for adopting CBS Recommendations to the seventieth session of the Executive Council (EC-70, 2018) and the eighteenth World Meteorological Congress (Cg-18, 2019). The process, approved by WMO President in consultation with CBS President, was detailed in Annex 1 of the 1 February 2018 letter. Copies of these letters can be downloaded from the Website below.

In line with such process, proposed CBS decisions, resolutions and recommendations (material) were presented to CBS TECO 2018 for feedback from CBS experts, and then to the CBS Management Group for further review and guidance, taking such feedback into account (the Group met in Geneva on 29 March 2018 for that purpose). Some of the proposed material was submitted to EC-70, which made some related recommendations to the eighteenth World Meteorological Congress (Cg-18).

Also in line with the process, and for CBS to submit draft material to Cg-18, I am inviting you to review such material and to provide your feedback through the following mailing list no later than **8 February 2019**. Draft material is available from the website below.

Website: <http://wis.wmo.int/page=CBS-consult-2018>

Mailing list: cbs-consult-2018@wmo.int.

We should stress that this process will also be a good opportunity for the CBS to have a trial and evaluate processes that may facilitate and contribute to the foreseen WMO reform, potentially resulting in more agile and efficient business practices than before.

Finally, while informing you about the CBS plan, I am also inviting you to provide me with any additional guidance you may wish to provide in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang)
for the Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of the Commission for Basic Systems)

cc: Members of the CBS Management Group