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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: Workshop of World Meteorological Centres, Beijing, China,
26-29 March 2019

Action required: To nominate a representative from Regional Specialized Meteorological
Centre and notify the Secretariat **on or before 31 January 2019**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may recall, Decision 40 of the seventieth session of the Executive Council (EC-70) decided to endorse the recommendation of Commission for Basic Systems (CBS) Management Group for the organization of a World Meteorological Centre (WMCs) workshop involving operations and research to ensure collaboration among the centres and the development of new initiatives to support Members, especially LDC and SIDS. EC-70 also acknowledged China's proposal to host the first WMCs workshop in Beijing, China in 2019.

In this regard, I wish to inform you that a Workshop of World Meteorological Centres is being organized. The Government of China has kindly agreed to host the workshop to be held in Beijing, from 26 to 29 March 2019. Information and documents relevant to the workshop will be made available at the following website in due course:
<http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/BAS/CBS-meetings.html>.

I am, therefore, pleased to invite you to kindly consider nominating a representative from your specialized centre listed in Annex I, to participate in this workshop.

Due to limited funds available for this activity, it is hoped that your Service could consider covering the cost of participation of your nominated representative. However, upon request, WMO may consider covering the cost (air ticket and/or per diem) of your nominated representative in this workshop.

I should be grateful if the attached Participant Nomination Form (see Annex II) could be completed and submitted to reach the Secretariat **on or before 31 January 2019**.

I should like to draw your attention to the following with regard to insurance coverage of your representatives while attending a WMO meeting.

"In the case of non-staff members of the Organization who are authorized to travel at its expense and/or who are receiving a daily subsistence allowance, the WMO accepts limited responsibility for compensation in the event of death, illness or injury attributable to attendance at meetings or the performance of services on behalf of the Organization. These persons are therefore fully responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of events which are not attributable to attendance at meetings or the performance of services on behalf of the Organization and for arranging such life, health and other forms of insurance as they consider appropriate."

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO (limited distribution) (Argentina, Brazil, Fiji, India, Kenya, Mauritius, Senegal, South Africa)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support to WMO Programmes and activities, particularly to the Global Data-processing and Forecasting System.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Zhang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

(W. Zhang)
for the Secretary-General

**List of Regional Specialized Meteorological Centres (RSMCs)
to be represented at the Workshop of World Meteorological Centres**

Country	RSMC	Specialized activity
Argentina	Buenos Aires	Regional climate prediction and monitoring
Brazil	Brasilia	Regional climate prediction and monitoring
Fiji	Nadi	Tropical cyclone forecasting, including marine-related hazards
India	Pune	Regional climate prediction and monitoring
Kenya	Nairobi	Severe Weather Forecasting Demonstration Project
Mauritius	Vacoas	Marine meteorological services
New Zealand	Wellington	Severe weather forecasting
Senegal	Dakar	Geographical specialization
South Africa	Pretoria	Severe weather forecasting

Workshop of World Meteorological Centres

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PARTICIPANT NOMINATION FORM

(use one form per participant)

The Permanent Representative of _____ nominates the following candidate to participate in the above workshop as:

Mr/Ms/Dr: _____ Family name: _____

First name(s): _____

Present position and responsibilities: _____

Work address: _____

Work Tel: _____

Work Fax: _____

Work Email: _____

Please indicate if financial assistance is required for:

Air Ticket NO ☐ or YES ☐

Per Diem NO ☐ or YES ☐

Date: _____ Name of Permanent Representative: _____

Signature of Permanent Representative: _____

Please complete and submit this nomination form by e-mail to Ms Eunha Lim elim@wmo.int
cc: Ms Pascale Gomez pgomez@wmo.int at your earliest convenience but preferably not later than **31 January 2019**.
