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GENEVA, 17 February 2016

Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: Informal Planning Meeting on the WMO Voluntary Cooperation Programme (VCP) to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii from 22 to 24 March 2016

Action required: (a) To notify the Secretariat, as soon as possible and preferably by **29 February 2016** of your participation, or of your designated representative's participation, in the above-mentioned meeting

(b) To forward to the Secretariat relevant information (in electronic format) on the contributions of your country to cooperation activities in 2015, including actions of a bilateral nature and the expected contribution for 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

The next annual Informal Planning Meeting (IPM) on the WMO Voluntary Cooperation Programme (VCP) and related technical cooperation programmes will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii from 22 to 24 March 2016.

The provisional agenda is attached for your information (please see Annex I). Kindly inform us as soon as possible if you have any items to add to the agenda.

In view of the generous support of your country to cooperation activities, and taking into account the importance of the coordination and development of VCP and related cooperation activities, I have pleasure in inviting you, or your representative, to participate in this meeting. As in the past, it is expected that participants from all the VCP IPM Members (please see Annex II) will meet their own travel and subsistence expenses. The meeting will be convened in English and the documents will be posted on the WMO VCP web page in due course at <http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/dra/vcp/eventsandmeetings.php>.

In the event that you do not usually, or cannot this year, participate in the IPM, it would nonetheless be appreciated if you could provide a brief report of your development assistance activities to the Secretariat. This will feature in the IPM documentation in order to allow us to obtain a wider perspective on assistance flowing between WMO Members and seek opportunities for synergy and value adding for the benefit of our Members who are challenged to deliver the products and services necessary to support their governments and communities.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of WMO (limited distribution)

cc: Permanent Missions of these Members to the Office of the United Nations and other international organizations in Geneva (for information)

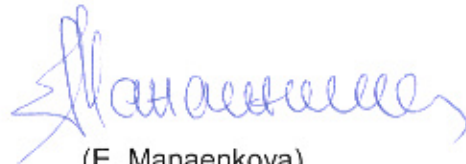
Consequently, to assist with preparations for the meeting, I would like to request you to provide the Secretariat, if you already have not already done so, with information on:

- (a) A summary report on the VCP technical cooperation activities carried out by your country in 2015 and prospects for 2016;
- (b) A brief summary of related bilateral/multilateral technical cooperation activities;
- (c) The estimated financial value of those contributions for VCP in 2015 (USD) through the VCP-Equipment and Services (VCP(ES)), Training/Fellowships and also equipment and services by bilateral/multilateral arrangements.

Reports should be sent electronically to Mr Jean-Paul Gaudechoux (JPGaudechoux@wmo.int) and Ms Lina Sjaavik (LSjaavik@wmo.int) by **29 February 2016**.

It would be highly appreciated if you could let me know of your participation in the meeting by **29 February 2016**.

Yours faithfully,



(E. Manaenkova)
for the Secretary-General

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INFORMAL PLANNING MEETING OF THE
VOLUNTARY COOPERATION PROGRAMME
Honolulu, Hawaii

ITEM: 1

Original: ENGLISH

22-24 March 2016

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

22-24 March 2016

Tuesday, 22 March

- 10:00 Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting
- 10:20 Agenda item 2: Adoption of the agenda and working arrangements for the meeting
- 10:30 Agenda item 3: Report of the VCP and development projects 2014
- 11:20 Coffee break
- 11:40 Agenda item 4.1: Overview of Regional Projects Managed by WMO Secretariat, GFCS and GCOS, as well as future projects
- 13:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 Agenda item 4.2: Overview IPM Member Bilateral Technical Cooperation Activities
- 15:50 Coffee break
- 16:10 Agenda item 4.2: (cont'd)
- 17:00 End of the day

Wednesday, 23 March

- 09:00 Agenda item 4.3: ETR and global campus as tools for the development of NMHSs
- 10:40 Coffee break
- 11:00 Agenda item 4.2: (cont'd)
- 13:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 Agenda item 4.2: (cont'd)
- 14:45 Agenda item 4.4: Synergies between development projects
- 16:30 Dinner

Thursday, 24 March

- 09:00 Agenda item 4.5: NMHSs and climate financing
- 10:00 Agenda item 4.6: Upcoming event: World Bank Donor Coordination Meeting
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 10:50 Agenda item 4.7: Discussion
- 12:45 Agenda item 4.8: Any other business
- 13:00 Closure of the meeting



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VCP IPM MEMBERS

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Australia
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Belgium
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Canada
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Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Greece
Hong Kong, China
Iceland
India
Indonesia
Ireland
Italy
Israel
Japan
Netherlands
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Norway
Poland
Qatar
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Russian Federation
Saudi Arabia
South Africa
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