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Annex: 1 (available in English only)

Subject: Participation of your expert in the third meeting of the Standing Committee on Marine Meteorological and Oceanographic Services (SC-MMO-3), Jakarta, Indonesia, from 7 to 9 July 2026

Action required: To notify the WMO Secretariat at your earliest convenience, but not later than **27 April 2026**, whether your expert will attend the meeting and, if so, whether any financial assistance is requested

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the third meeting of the Services Commission for Weather, Climate, Hydrological, Marine and Related Environmental Services and Applications (SERCOM) Standing Committee on Marine Meteorological and Oceanographic Services (SC-MMO-3) will be held in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 7 to 9 July 2026. The preliminary agenda will be circulated in due course.

The members of SC-MMO (see [annex](#)) include an expert from your country or organization who has been nominated with your approval to serve on this group. I should, therefore, be grateful if you would kindly examine the possibility of your expert attending the meeting.

In accordance with WMO [General Regulation 31](#) (*Basic Documents No. 1* (WMO-No. 15)), the "expenses of attendance of members of subsidiary bodies of constituent and additional bodies at sessions of these bodies shall normally be borne by the Members or the international organization to which those members belong". It is, therefore, anticipated that these expenses will be borne by your government, should your expert attend.

If it is not possible for your government or organization to meet all the expenses for the attendance of your expert, WMO is prepared to consider providing financial support for this purpose. However, in view of the very limited funds available to support sessions of subsidiary bodies of constituent bodies, I should be grateful if you could consider the possibility of meeting at least part of the costs involved. For administrative purposes I should be grateful if you could kindly notify the WMO Secretariat (email: wmo@wmo.int with copy to mmo@wmo.int) at your earliest convenience, but not later than **27 April 2026**, whether your expert will be able to attend the above-mentioned meeting and whether any financial assistance will be required. Details of the assistance required, travel costs or per diem, or both, should be indicated. If your expert's travel costs will be borne by WMO, then travel arrangements will be made by the WMO Secretariat and details will be sent to your expert in due course.

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

cc: IOC Rep, P/SERCOM, VP/SERCOM (Raymond Tanabe)

Regarding insurance coverage for non-staff members, may I draw your attention to the following:

Non-staff members of WMO who are authorized to travel at the Organization's expense and/or who are receiving a DSA from WMO must ensure they are fully responsible for expenses incurred in the event of death, illness or injury during official travel and attendance at meetings on behalf of the Organization. They are, therefore, fully responsible for arranging life, health, and accident, as well as any other forms of insurance with an adequate level of coverage for the duration of such meetings and events.

WMO liability is limited to the performance of services or attendance at a meeting on behalf of the Organization, is covered by an injury and illness benefit insurance which provides limited coverage for medical, emergency, and supplementary official travel expenses.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and contribution to WMO marine activities.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ko Barrett', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Ms Ko Barrett
for the Secretary-General

**MEMBERSHIP OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MARINE
METEOROLOGICAL AND OCEANOGRAPHIC SERVICES (SC-MMO)**

(Updated as of 19 March 2026)

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* Pending endorsement by the next SERCOM Management Group meeting.