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Subject:

Draft implementation plan of the Global Framework for Climate Services

(GFCS)

Action required: Provide comments on the Second Order Draft Implementation Plan and

Governance Mechanism of the GFCS by 19 August 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

Following the last session of the Executive Council (EC-64, 23 June - 3 July 2012) and the comments received during the review period (mid-May to mid-July) from Members, partner agencies and experts, which provided specific guidance for the further improvement of the two documents indicated above for later submission to an extraordinary session of the World Meteorological Congress (29-31 October 2012), I am pleased to inform you that a Second Order Draft Implementation Plan with Annexes and the Governance Mechanism of the GFCS will be posted on the WMO website on 6 August 2012.

I encourage you to provide comments on the Second Order Draft Implementation Plan and Governance Mechanism of the GFCS and inform you that the review period is from 6 to August 2012. You can access document through our website the http://www.wmo.int/pages/gfcs/office/2ndOrderDraft.php. Together with the documents, specific guidance on how to provide comments is given.

I look forward to receiving your comments, which will ensure that the Draft Implementation Plan and its Governance Mechanism will be a true reflection of your needs and expectations as these are critical inputs for the operationalization of the GFCS in 2013 as decided by the Sixteenth World Meteorological Congress.

Yours faithfully,

(J. Lengoasa) for the Secretary-General

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