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Subject: New WMO "2016 Highlights" Annual Report

Dear Sir/Madam,

You will shortly be receiving by post one or more copies of the new WMO "2016 Highlights" Annual Report. This report offers a broad overview of some of the most important achievements that WMO and its Members realized last year. It seeks to demonstrate how we are working together to implement our strategic priorities, and it features a few selected projects and activities that illustrate major thrusts of the organization.

In today's environment of information overload, we have tried to keep the report as brief and visually appealing as possible. I believe it demonstrates the great value of WMO as a United Nations Specialized Agency while confirming the essential contribution that National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) make to human well-being.

I encourage you to share this report with your national authorities as a way of advocating for the value of the work of WMO and NMHSs and the benefits of international collaboration on weather, climate and hydrology. Digital copies can be found on the WMO website at <https://public.wmo.int/en/resources/library/2016-highlights-annual-report>, and additional print copies in any of the United Nations languages can be requested from ipa@wmo.int.

I hope you find this document interesting and useful, and I invite you to send me your suggestions for improvements to future Annual Reports.

Yours faithfully,

(P. Taalas)
Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives (for information)