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Annex: 1

Subject: Technical Commissions in the nineteenth financial period
Action required: Notification of representation on technical commissions by
31 August 2023

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the recently concluded Nineteenth World Meteorological Congress adopted [Resolution 42 \(5\(2\)/1\) \(Cg-19\)](#) - WMO technical commissions and additional bodies for the nineteenth financial period. This resolution agreed to continue the technical commissions established by the Eighteenth World Meteorological Congress, during the nineteenth financial period (2024–2027) as:

- (a) The Commission for Observation, Infrastructure and Information Systems (INFCOM); and,
- (b) The Commission for Weather, Climate, Hydrological, Marine and Related Environmental Services and Applications (SERCOM),

with revised terms of reference as given in the annexes to the resolution, which will be published as part of *the Rules of Procedure for Technical Commissions* (WMO-No. 1240).

In this respect and in the event that your Government has not already done so, I wish to invite you to indicate, by completing and submitting the attached [annex](#) by **31 August 2023**, the technical commission(s) on which your Government intends to be represented, according to [Article 19 \(b\)](#) of the WMO Convention (*Basic documents No. 1* (WMO-No. 15)). This provision stipulates that Members of the Organization have the right to be represented on the technical commissions, while [General Regulation 141 \(b\)](#) (*Basic documents No. 1* (WMO-No. 15)), indicates that the Members shall normally notify the Secretary-General on which commissions they intend to be represented. Such notification should normally be sent within 90 days after closure of the session of Congress and not later than 60 days before the ordinary session of the commission concerned.

Members wishing to be represented on the commission are requested to fill in the attached form and Permanent Representatives should indicate the experts for representation, through the Expert Network of the WMO Community Platform.

The Members who are already represented on the technical commission(s) during the eighteenth financial period (2020–2023, and published as Members represented on [INFCOM](#) and [SERCOM](#)) will continue to be considered as being represented on the commission(s) during the nineteenth financial period (2024–2027), unless otherwise notified.

To: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Members with the World Meteorological Organization

cc: Permanent Representatives and Hydrological Advisers of Members with WMO
Permanent Missions of WMO Members

Further to this, I would like to advise that the two commissions are planning to hold their third sessions respectively:

- (a) INFCOM: 15–19 April 2024,
- (b) SERCOM: 4–9 March 2024.

The official notifications, venue and the tentative agenda for the sessions will be communicated in due course. The agenda of these sessions will include the election of officers (president and vice-presidents) in accordance with *the Rules of Procedure for Technical Commissions* (WMO-No. 1240).

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Permanent Representative and the Hydrological Adviser of Members with the World Meteorological Organization as well as Permanent Missions of your country in Geneva, where applicable.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretary-General

REPRESENTATION ON WMO TECHNICAL COMMISSION

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MEMBER: [Please insert your State name]

wishes to be represented on the following technical commission(s):

Commission for Observation, Infrastructure and Information Systems (INFCOM)

Commission for Weather, Climate, Hydrological, Marine and Related Environmental Services and Applications (SERCOM)

Signature

(Representative of Ministry of Foreign Affairs/
Permanent Mission of Member, Geneva)

Date

Please return the completed form to cer@wmo.int by **31 August 2023**
