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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to refer to our communication dated 14 August 2014 (WMO-1408) informing you that the Sixteenth Regional Association I (Africa) would be held in Cabo Verde, from 8 to 15 October 2014. I wish to draw your attention to the proposal and advice of the Republic of Cabo Verde to postpone the Regional Technical Conference (RECO) and the Sixteenth Regional Association I (Africa) (RAI-16), as the latest information from the World Health Organization (WHO) indicates an escalation of the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) in some countries in West Africa, notably Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

As a preventive measure to avoid the risk of EVD entering the country, it has been decided to postpone the Sixteenth Regional Association I to 4-10 February 2015, to be preceded by the Sixteenth Regional Technical Conference from 2-3 February 2015, in the Republic of Cabo Verde.

I wish to assure you that WMO will continuously review the situation on EVD and in consultation with WHO will confirm the venue no later than 10 December 2014. Should the Republic of Cabo Verde maintain its immigration restrictions at that time, the venue of all sessions will be in Geneva at WMO Headquarters.

A copy of this notification is being sent to the Permanent Representative of your country with WMO.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(M. Jarraud) Secretary-General