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Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to inform you that the terms of office of the President and the three Vice-Presidents of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) expire on 12 June 2015, and that, in accordance with Article 8 of the Convention of the Organization, the Seventeenth World Meteorological Congress, which will be held from 25 May to 12 June 2015, will be required to elect the President and the three Vice-Presidents of the Organization, with effect from 13 June 2015, immediately after closure of the Congress.

Under Article 4 of the WMO Convention, there shall be a President and three Vice-Presidents of the Organization who shall also be President and Vice-Presidents of Congress and of the Executive Council. The procedures governing the election of the President and the three Vice-Presidents are set down in the Convention and General Regulations of WMO which are contained in the publication *Basic Documents No. 1* (WMO-No. 15), copies of which have been forwarded to all Members of the Organization, and which is also available on the WMO website at http://www.wmo.int/pages/governance/policy/index_en.html.

According to Regulation 27 of the General Regulations, in Congress, the Nomination Committee shall prepare and submit to the body a list of nominees for each office or place for which an election is to be held. It shall be the role of the Secretariat to provide the Nomination Committee with all relevant information pertaining to the eligibility of the candidates.

In this respect, you may wish to inform in advance the Secretariat if you intend to submit the name of the person who has been designated by your government as Director of your Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services for the purpose of this Convention as a candidate for the presidency or a vice-presidency of the World Meteorological Organization. Noting that nominations can be received from the floor up to the last minute just before the election, advanced information would however ease the work of the Nomination Committee and could be provided in writing under confidential cover to the Secretary-General, World Meteorological Organization, Case Postale 2300, CH-1211 Genève 2, Switzerland.

To: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Member States of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO-1419)

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Permanent Representative of your country with the World Meteorological Organization.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a series of fluid, overlapping strokes that form a stylized, somewhat abstract shape.

(M. Jarraud)
Secretary-General