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Subject: Online survey for assessment of national marine and coastal services

Action required: To complete and submit the online survey by **31 December 2018**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) strives to ensure that its Members are capable of providing the standard and recommended practices for marine meteorological service delivery, as described in the WMO Technical Regulations. A survey has been initiated to collate a status report of Members capabilities in the provision of these marine and coastal services.

The survey results will help WMO better understand Member's needs to take appropriate action to target and prioritize areas requiring assistance. The results will be presented at the eighteenth session of the World Meteorological Congress (Cg-18) in 2019, and guide WMO priorities and plans for future improvement of marine and coastal services. Future improvements will be coordinated by the WMO Marine Meteorology and Ocean Affairs Division, with technical assistance from the Joint WMO-IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology (JCOMM).

I would therefore like to invite you to arrange for the *National Marine Services Focal Point* or appropriate representative of your Service to complete the online assessment form for your national marine and coastal services.

The online form is to be completed at your earliest convenience, but not later than **31 December 2018**. The form can be accessed at: [https://www.research.net/r/nmhsmarine\\_en](https://www.research.net/r/nmhsmarine_en).

Members are encouraged to contact the WMO Secretariat ([mmo@wmo.int](mailto:mmo@wmo.int)), if clarification or assistance is required in this regard.

I also take this opportunity to remind you to nominate your *National Marine Services Focal Point* (if not already done) as per my letter (WMO Ref: 41249/2017/WDS/MMO/JCOMM-5) sent on 30 November 2017. With a Focal Point in place, communications will be strengthened between WMO and your service regarding marine meteorological matters and needs.

I would like to express my appreciation for your continued support to the WMO Programmes and activities for marine and coastal services.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang)

for the Secretary-General

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

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

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