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Subject: Postponement of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) High Mountain Summit

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to refer to the circular letter ref. no. 24282/2018/OBS/GCW, dated 20 September 2018, announcing the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) High Mountain Summit, which was planned to be held from 25 to 27 February 2019, in Geneva, Switzerland.

Following consultations with the Organizing Committee and partner organizations, it was decided to postpone the organization of the High Mountain Summit until after the release of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate (SROCC), which will provide the international community, and, in particular, the countries most affected by changes in high mountain regions, with stronger arguments to support a feasible action plan, thus addressing high priority needs. The SROCC release is planned for late September 2019.

I want to express my sincere gratitude for your interest in this event, and I am looking forward to your engagement, prior and during the Summit. Your pre-registration will remain valid for the rescheduled event. The target date tentatively set for the Summit is from 29 to 31 October 2019, and a confirmation will be provided for formal updates in the near future with additional information.

If you, or your service is interested in being involved, please proceed to completing the Expression of Interest Form at: http://highmountainsummit.wmo.int/.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in promoting the WMO High Mountain activities.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang) for the Secretary-General

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