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Subject: Postponement into 2020 of the annual collection of data for publication in World Weather Records

Dear Sir/Madam,

The collection of World Weather Records (WWR) 2018 will be postponed to 2020 and a separate WMO call will be issued in 2020 for the joint collection of 2018 and 2019 World Weather Records. The postponement is necessary because of unexpected delays in the 2019 operational schedule of the World Data Center for Meteorology. Moreover, the World Data Center for Meteorology agreed to collect and store the 1981-2010 Climatological Standard Normals during 2019 (cf. WMO of 1 August 2018 Collection of the WMO Climatological Standard Normals for 1981-2010, ref. 20077/2018/CLW/CLPA/DMA/CLINO8110), an effort that includes additional significant manual intervention.

Notwithstanding the above, I strongly encourage you to calculate the WWR 2018 in the usual manner during 2019 and document it in the EXCEL table as per the *Guidelines for the Submission of the World Weather Records 2011+* (WMO-No. 1186) so that it can be submitted easily in 2020 together with the WWR 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to request your feedback on the usefulness and benefits for your NMHS and country of the WWR data set and its annual collection mechanism as per Resolution 14 (EC-64) – Submission of World Weather Records on an annual basis. Your feedback **by 1 August 2019** to wcdmp@wmo.int will greatly help to consider further improvements in the WMO arrangements for routine climate-relevant data collections.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the WMO Data Management Applications Division (Mr Omar Baddour and Mr Peer Hechler: wcdmp@wmo.int).

Yours faithfully,

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for the Secretary-General

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