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Subject: Postponement of the 2020 WMO Technical Conference on Meteorological and Environmental Instruments and Methods of Observation (TECO-2020)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to refer to my letter of 16 March 2020 (Ref: 04914/2020/I/ONM/MQC/TECO-2020) in which I informed you of the plan to organize the 2020 WMO Technical Conference on Meteorological and Environmental Instruments and Methods of Observation (TECO-2020) with the theme: Sustainable fit-for-purpose measurements – a foundation of the WMO Earth System approach, in Paris, France, from 21 to 24 September 2020.

Regrettably, in view of the current pandemic, and inherent travel restrictions, it has been decided to postpone the organization of TECO-2020 to 2021. I was informed that the Meteorological Technology World Expo 2020 organized by UKi Media & Events was also postponed to 2021, so our plan is to jointly hold both events at the same location, in October 2021.

I would like to express my appreciation for approximately 150 excellent abstracts that we have received for TECO-2020. They have been evaluated by the International Programme Committee and are being preserved for next year's event. The corresponding authors of the abstracts will be contacted on how to proceed with the abstracts in due course. In addition, a new call for abstracts, as well as organizational details for the re-scheduled event, will be communicated early next year.

I wish to thank you for your understanding, and I would like to reassure you that we are doing our best to organize this event in a way that will be safe and as beneficial as possible for all of you next year.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Zhang', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dr Wenjian 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