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Annex.: 1

Subject: COVID-19 Impacts Follow-up Survey

Action required: Respond to the COVID-19 Impacts Follow-up Survey
by **18 November 2020**

Dear Sir/Madam,

The seventy-second session of the WMO Executive Council concluded in early October was the first virtual session and the impact of COVID-19 on Members and on our Organization was one of the critical issues raised and discussed by the Council.

With the above in mind, the Secretariat COVID-19 Monitoring Team was requested to issue a follow-up survey so as to further understand any ongoing or developing issues and impacts caused as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In doing so, we would like to thank those Members who have kindly provided a recent written update, but request that they too complete the new survey.

I would be grateful if you could complete this second survey, available in Microsoft Word format ([Annex](#)), and return it to the COVID-19 Monitoring Team at covid19@wmo.int before **18 November 2020**. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the team at the same address.

Once responses to this second survey have been received, the COVID-19 Monitoring Team will undertake a detailed analysis of the findings from the survey issued in April together with the information returned in the new survey. A report detailing this analysis should be made available to Members before the end of this calendar year. These results will be used to consider technical assistance/other support and or building sustainability in the future.

I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce Dr Johan Stander, Director of the WMO Services Department, where one of his objectives is to oversee the work of the COVID-19 Monitoring Team. Dr Stander is looking forward to working with you and supporting your service delivery needs during this unique and challenging time.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers

Please allow me the opportunity to express my sympathy to National Meteorological and Hydrological Services employees negatively affected by COVID-19 and especially to the families of those who have lost their lives.

I further wish to thank you for your continued support to WMO activities.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, connected strokes that form the name 'Petteri Taalas'.

Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretary General