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Subject: High-Level week of the 80th session of the United Nations General

Assembly (UNGA) and the Climate Summit

Action required: Liaise with WMO UN Affairs Office if you are planning to come to New York

as part of your national delegations

Dear Permanent Representative,

The United Nations Headquarters in New York will host the High-Level Week of the 80th session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA) from 22 to 30 September 2025, with the opening of the high-level General Debate scheduled for Tuesday, 23 September 2025. This important occasion will convene Heads of State and Government, ministers, seniors official, and leaders from civil society, private sector and the scientific community to engage in dialogue and advance collective global action.

As Secretary-General of WMO, I will be in New York from 22 to 24 September 2025 to participate in several high-level engagements, including:

- The United Nations Secretary-General Climate Summit 2025 will be held on 24 September 2024 at UN Headquarters. Its aim is to provide a platform for leaders to present their new Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the Paris Agreement. This event will also bring together leaders from government, business, and civil society, around thematic "Solutions Dialogues", to put forward ideas to drive action across mitigation, adaptation, finance, information integrity and other critical areas, in line with the Paris Agreement and COP30 priorities. More information on the Summit can be found here https://www.un.org/en/climatechange/climate-summit-2025
- I am also pleased to inform you that WMO and UNDRR will host a "Solutions Dialogue" on Early Warnings and Extreme Heat on Monday 22 September, from 9-11AM in UN Headquarters. This dialogue aims to assess progress on the UN's Early Warnings for All initiative and reinforce political momentum for solutions to tackle extreme heat. Permanent Representatives to the WMO coming to New York are invited to register to attend the event.
- In addition, I will also participate in the Climate Week NYC 2025, hosted by Climate Group, an international non-profit organization whose purpose is to drive climate action fast. This event gathers senior international figures from business, Government, civil society and the climate sector.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers

I encourage all Permanent Representatives to consider participating in these events as part of your national delegations. During my visit to New York, I would be pleased to meet with you and your delegation.

Should you wish to arrange a bilateral meeting or receive further information about WMO's engagements during the High-Level Week, please contact the WMO UN Affairs Office at wmony@wmo.int.

Yours faithfully,

Prof. Celeste Saulo Secretary-General