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Subject: Hosting of the sixteenth session of Regional Association I (RA I, Africa)

Action required: Reply to be sent to the WMO Secretariat, as soon as possible, but preferably not later than **14 February 2014**

Dear Sir/Madam,

In accordance with the WMO General Regulations, the sixteenth session of Regional Association I (Africa) is due to be held during the fourth quarter of 2014.

It is within this context that WMO wishes to explore whether your country would consider hosting this important meeting. In the affirmative, details of the Host Country responsibilities will be communicated to you and consultations on actual dates of the meeting will be organized. Should we receive several offers the selection will follow the normal process.

I would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that Dr Joseph R. Mukabana was recently appointed as the Director of the Regional Office for Africa and Least Developed Countries. Please do not hesitate to contact him should you require more information to facilitate your consideration of this request.

In order to have adequate time for the arrangements for the session, it would be appreciated if your response is received by **14 February 2014**.

I wish to assure you of our continued cooperation in the development of meteorology and hydrology in the Region.

Yours faithfully,

(J. Lengoasa) for the Secretary-General