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Annex: 1

Subject: Nomination of candidate for vice-president of Regional Association II

Action required: Nomination of a candidate for the position of vice-president of Regional Association II by **2 October 2019**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to inform you that, following the departure of Mr Rishi Ram Sharma, former Director-General, Department of Hydrology and Meteorology and Permanent Representative of Nepal with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), the position of vice-president of Regional Association II (Asia) became vacant as Mr Sharma subsequently ceased to hold the office of the position of vice-president of the Region in accordance with Regulation 10 of the General Regulations, as provided in [Basic Documents No. 1: 2015 Edition](#).

Following consultations with the Members of the Region, Mr Abdullah Ahmed Al-Mandoos, president of Regional Association II, advised the Secretariat that Associate Professor Dr Tran Hong Thai, Administrator of Viet Nam Meteorological and Hydrological Administration and Permanent Representative of Viet Nam with WMO, has received support from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment for the position of vice-president of Regional Association II and is therefore designated as a candidate on the list of nominees.

Since the procedure for an election by correspondence is necessary, the president of Regional Association II agreed to proceed with the election in accordance with the provision of Regulation 15 of the General Regulations.

I therefore invite you to consider further nominations, if you so wish, for candidates to this office, in compliance with Regulation 92 of the General Regulations, which stipulates that:

When it is decided to hold elections by correspondence, the Secretary-General shall invite those entitled to vote to nominate in advance eligible candidates for the office or place to be filled. The president who requested the election shall decide on the duration of the period, which shall not be less than 30 days, during which nominations of candidates will be received.

In the determination of those who are entitled to vote and make nominations, the following provisions of the General Regulations, as well as decisions of Congress, should be taken into account:

- (a) Regulation 168(a) prescribes that the president and vice-president of an Association shall be Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services of Members of the Organization belonging to the Region, as specified by Regulation 141. In this connection, Regulation 141 stipulates that a Member, which belongs to more than one regional association shall, for the purposes of Article 13 of the Convention, normally be regarded as coming from the Region in which the headquarters of its Meteorological Service is located;

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Cc: President of RA II

- (b) Regulation 8 stipulates that 'Except as provided by Article 4(b) of the Convention, no person shall be entitled to act at the same time as president or vice-president of more than one of the constituent bodies, or as president of a constituent body and an elected member of the Executive Council';
- (c) By its Resolution 37 (Cg-XI), the Eleventh Congress decided, inter alia, that nationals or representatives of a Member in arrears for more than two consecutive calendar years shall not be eligible for nomination for elective offices of constituent bodies.

To assist the Members in nominating candidates, **I enclose a list of eligible Directors of the Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services as of the date of this letter** according to the information available in the Secretariat (**Annex**).

After receiving nominations, I shall obtain confirmation of the nominees' availability, in accordance with Regulation 93. This regulation further provides that when the list of candidates only contains one name, this candidate shall be declared elected.

In accordance with Regulation 92, the president of RA II has decided that a period of 30 days shall be allowed for receipt of nominations. I should be grateful if you would send me any nomination you wish to make for the office of the vice-president of RA II, as soon as possible, and no later than **2 October 2019**.

Yours faithfully,



(P. Taalas)
Secretary-General

**LIST OF DIRECTORS OF THE
METEOROLOGICAL OR HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES*
OF MEMBERS OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATION II (ASIA)
ELIGIBLE FOR NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF RA II**

(not including Mr A A Al-Mandoos, President of RA II)

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Member	Name
Afghanistan	Mr Mahmood Shah HABIBI
Bahrain	Mr Basem Salman Mohamed AL-ASFOOR
Bangladesh	Mr Shamsuddin AHMED
Bhutan	Mr Karma DUPCHU
Cambodia	Mr LIM, Kean Hor
China	Ms LIU, Yaming**
Hong Kong, China	Mr Chi-ming SHUN
India	Dr Mrutyunjay MOHAPATRA**
Iran, Islamic Republic of	Dr Sahar TAJBAKHSI MOSALMAN**
Iraq	Eng. Ali Sahib AL-BAHADLI
Japan	Mr Yasuo SEKITA**
Kazakhstan	Mr Marat KYNATOV
Kuwait	Mr Khaled Mubarak SHUAIBI
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Mr Khanmany KHOUN PHONH
Macao, China	Mr TANG, Iu Man
Mongolia	Mr Sevjid ENKHTUVSHIN
Myanmar	Dr Kyaw Moe OO
Nepal	Mr Ram Gopal KHARBUJA
Oman	Dr Juma bin Said bin Ahmed AL-MASKARI
Pakistan	Mr Muhammad RIAZ
Qatar	Mr Abdulla Mohamed A. AL-MANNAI
Republic of Korea	Mr KIM, Jongseok**
Saudi Arabia	Dr Ayman Salem GHULAM
Sri Lanka	Mr Athula Kumara KARUNANAYAKE
Tajikistan	Mr Homidjon RASULZODA
Thailand	Dr Phuwieng PRAKHAMMINTARA
Turkmenistan	Mr Begench Rozyevich MIMINOV
Viet Nam	Assoc. Prof. Dr Tran Hong THAI

*Director of a Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Service of a Member is defined by the General Regulations (Basic Documents No.1 2015 edition) as: "the Director/Head of a Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Service of the Member who has been designated as the Permanent Representative of that Member, or alternatively, the Director/Head of a Service of a Member responsible at national level for meteorology or for meteorology and operational hydrology specially designated by this Member for the purposes of the Convention and the General Regulations".

**These individuals have been elected as members of the Executive Council. Should any one of them be nominated and elected for the office of vice-president of RA II, he/she will have to vacate his/her office or seat, in accordance with Regulation 8 of WMO General Regulations, quoted in the enclosed letter.