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Our ref.: OBS/WIS/SG-RFC GENEVA, 13 August 2012

Subject: Notification of ITU Regional Seminar for the Americas Regions on "Space

science services: regulatory, technical and practical implications" (Manta,

Ecuador, 20-21 September 2012)

Action required: Consider participation of your expert in the meetings

Dear Sir/Madam,

In the light of Resolution 11 (EC-64) - Radio frequencies for meteorological and related environmental activities, I would like to draw your attention to an International Telecommunication Union (ITU) regional seminar on Space Science Services in Manta, Ecuador from 20 to 21 September 2012. Information and documents for the meeting are available from the ITU Website, and can be found at the following link:

http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/index.asp?category=conferences&rlink=itu-sem-americas&lang=en.

I also wish to alert you that there will be an ITU-R Working Party meeting from 24 to 28 September in Manta covering the activities of Remote Sensing Systems and Space Radiocommunication Applications. Details of the meeting are available through the ITU meeting page at:

http://www.itu.int/events/upcomingevents.asp?lang=en§or=ITU-R

Resolution 11 (EC-64) urged all Members "to ensure that their national radiocommunication administrations are fully aware of the importance of and requirements for radio frequencies for meteorological and related activities, and to seek their support in the ITU World Radiocommunication Conferences, Radiocommunication Assemblies and other ITU Radiocommunication Sector activities".

Resolution 11 (EC-64) also urged all Members "to participate actively in the national, regional and international activities on relevant radiocommunication regulatory issues and, in particular, to involve experts from their Services in the work of relevant regional radiocommunication organizations and of ITU-R, especially ITU-R Study Group 7 on Science Services".

I encourage you to consider sending an expert from your Service to participate in the above seminar and/or ITU-R working parties meetings, which are directly relevant to the important issue of radio-frequency coordination affecting all WMO Members. Should you require further information about these meetings please contact the Director of the Observing and Information Systems Department, Dr W. Zhang (wzhang@wmo.int).

Yours faithfully,

(M. Jarraud) Secretary-General