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**3rd SESSION OF THE IHO ASSEMBLY (A-3) –
NEW DATES AND VENUE**

References: All IHO Assembly Circular Letters from 01/2022 to 06/2022

Dear Hydrographer,

1. ACL 01/2022 announced the 3rd Session of the IHO Assembly planned to be held at the Rainier III Auditorium in Monaco from 25 – 28 April 2023.
2. Unfortunately, due to the continuing presence of the Covid Centre of the Principality of Monaco at the Rainier III Auditorium and the uncertainty if and when this arrangement will cease, the IHO Secretariat had to proceed to find an alternative venue. The only sensible option identified was the Grimaldi Forum of Monaco. The Grimaldi Forum, being a conference centre by design, offers excellent conditions for the conduct of the Assembly and the associated exhibitions, however the only available slot offered in timely vicinity of the originally planned dates is the period from 2 to 5 May 2023, which in essence results in a shift of the event by one week.
3. The Directing Committee has, after careful consideration and in anticipation of the unplanned extra burden to the IHO conference funds, decided that the 3rd Session of the IHO Assembly will take place at the Grimaldi Forum in the Principality of Monaco from 2 to 5 May 2023. The Assembly Circular Letters in reference will be amended accordingly very soon.
4. The IHO Secretariat is well aware of the inconvenience and difficulties this change may cause to the IHO Member States and all participants (International Organizations, National Institutions and Industry Stakeholders), but is convinced that this timely shift and change of the venue is the best arrangement for the proper conduct of the Assembly. We look forward to seeing you in Monaco for this major event in May 2023

Yours sincerely,

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