

FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE CBSC (CBSC15)

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Paper for information of the CBSC

Summary report of the Southern Africa & Islands Hydrographic Commission (SAIHC)

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Executive Summary:	This paper provides a summary report of CB activities to CBSC15
Reference:	SAIHC CB Plan 2013-2017

Introduction - background

1. A five-year plan for CB activity in the SAIHC region was approved by the membership in 2012. This plan covers the period 2013-2017 and is reviewed annually (during SAIHC meetings) to ensure it meets regional requirements. The plan is based on assessing the phase of development of each of the coastal states within the SAIHC region (as determined by the IHO's three phases of CB) and arranging training activity to build the necessary capability to meet SOLAS treaty obligations. There is a great deal of 'SOLAS awareness' required in this region. At the last SAIHC meeting in Cape Town, South Africa, August 2016 the SAIHC CB Coordinator presented a further three year SAIHC CB Plan to cover the period 2018-2020. The members endorsed this plan.

Activities completed since CBSC14

2. A Phase 1 Skills training course was delivered in Walvis Bay, Namibia in July 2016 for the following coastal states:- *Comoros, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia (2) and Seychelles*

Two *Nigerian* participants from the adjoining EAtHC joined this course

3. MBES setting to work project for *Mozambique*. Two officers from the IHPT (Portugal HO) assisted with this project

4. The following activities are planned for 2017:-

- MSI Course

Action Required of CBSC

5. The CBSC is invited to take note of this report