



# Report to WEND WG

ARHC-6

October 3-6,

Iqaluit, Nunavut, Canada



# ARHC – 6

- 4 of 5 members State attended
  - Canada, Denmark, Norway, USA
  - Russian Federation was unable to attend
  - 2 states observer: Finland and Iceland
  - 1 Gov of Canada observer (INAC)



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- As a result of the imminent entry into force of the Protocol of Amendments to the Convention on the IHO, discussions began with a proposal to align the existing Statutes of the ARHC with the new terminology and conditions
- The Russian Federation was designated to be the first to occupy the seat when the IHO Council is established at the IHO Assembly in April 2017.



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- Reported activities and discussions
  - Danmark reported challenges in the Greenland waters with the reorganisation of the Danish Geodata Agency
  - Canada & Norway agreed to developed the Scope and the management of the Arctic International Charting Coordination Working Group
  - Agreement to establish an Arctic Regional MSDI WG
  - ARHC is likely to be recongnized Observer at next Action Council Ministerial meeting in May 2017



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- Other discussions
  - Crowd sourcing bathymetry
  - Autonomous vehicles
- Norway became Chair of the ARHC
- Danmark offered to host the next meeting in Greenland in August or September 2017