

## Ministerio de Defensa Servicio de Hidrografía Naval Director

BUENOS AIRES, April 4th, 2022.-

Dear Chairman and distinguished colleagues, Members of the HCA

The aim of this letter is to inform you that, in line with what I previously stated at the HCA17 and considering that our priority is to provide safety of navigation through the supply of the best nautical information available as regards quality and occasion, we have finished the production of ENCAR407620 of Decepción island.

Such ENC is fully consistent with and equivalent to INT 9120, which is also produced and updated by the SERVICIO DE HIDROGRAFÍA NAVAL, and it was successfully verified, validated and released through the IC-ENC.

As I have already mentioned in my declaration, the ENC was produced in Band 4 at a 1:50.000 scale in accordance with HPWG guidelines approved during the HCA9 and following the ENC scheme that HPWC also proposed and approved during the HCA13 in action 12/4.

I take this opportunity to thank all the fellow Hydrographic Offices for their contribution as, in compliance with our guiding principle that distinguishes such a special Hydrographic Commission, they have provided us with the latest available data, which enabled us to increase the safety in navigation in a site so frequented by mariners as Decepción island.

Yours sincerely, best regards.

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