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All MACHC IHO Member States

Subject/Reference:

IRCC 11, Action 15 – Request for Comments/Suggestions on draft IHO Strategic Plan
IRCC11, Action 16—Request for Comments/Suggestions on the draft S-100 Services Roadmap

Dear Colleagues,

During the IHO Inter-regional Coordinating Committee (IRCC) meeting last week in Genoa, a number of actions were identified for IRCC members. Two actions in particular (15 and 16) request Member State comments and suggestions regarding 1) the new draft IHO Strategic Plan 2021-26 and 2) the draft S-100 Services Roadmap respectively. **Since comments are requested by June 24, 2019**, I recommend that any comments be sent directly to the designated points of contact below, with a copy to me.

- 1) The draft IHO Strategic Plan is available in Annex I and Annex II of the IRCC Document at:
https://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/com_wg/IRCC/IRCC11/IRCC11-08D_2019_EN_Future_StrategicPlan_v1.pdf

Given the short review time, I recommend noting anything that does not belong in the plan or any critical gaps. This draft will be reviewed at the next IHO Council meeting and will ultimately be considered at the IHO Assembly 2 next year. Comments on the current draft should be sent directly to both Bruno Frachon, the Chair of the Strategic Planning Working Group: [Bruno.frachon@shom.fr](mailto: Bruno.frachon@shom.fr) and to the WG Secretary: [douglas.brunt@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto: douglas.brunt@dfo-mpo.gc.ca)

- 2) The proposed IHO Roadmap for the Provision of S-100 based Services can be found in Annex 1 of IRCC Document at: https://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/com_wg/IRCC/IRCC11/IRCC11-08E_2019_EN_Roadmap_Provision_S-100_Services_v1.pdf

Comments should be directed to IHO Council Chair, RDML Smith: [shep.smith@noaa.gov](mailto: shep.smith@noaa.gov))

Thank you for your consideration of these strategic documents that are shaping the future of the IHO.

Sincerely,

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