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All MACHC Member States and Observers

Subject/Reference: Save the dates for MACHC21 and extension of deadline for comments on MACHC20 meeting minutes and actions

Dear Colleagues,

First of all, I hope everyone is doing well and staying safe during this challenging time. Many things have changed over the course of a month due to the impacts of COVID-19 both professionally and personally. Given these highly unusual circumstances, you might be wondering about what is going to happen to the MACHC21 Conference. I am pleased to confirm the location which will be the [Bourbon Orleans Hotel](#) located in the middle of the famous French Quarter in New Orleans, Louisiana, and near one of the largest port complexes in the world.

At this time, we are cautiously optimistic and continue to plan (from our homes) for a **December 1-December 4, 2020 MACHC Conference**. I ask that you please reserves these dates, with the understanding that we will continually reassess the situation as conditions change. We hope for the best, but will remain flexible should it need to be postponed like so many other international meetings. In the meantime, please keep these dates on your calendars to avoid any conflicts until further notice. Information on hotel reservations will be sent later when it is available.

Finally, I would like to thank those who have provided comments on the MACHC20 meeting minutes, as requested in MACHC CL 01/2020. However, given the current circumstances, I am extending the deadline for comments on the minutes to May 30, 2020. I will also extend the deadlines of all the actions from the meeting by an additional month to account for the disruption we are all experiencing.

Please be safe and stay healthy.

Sincerely,

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