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To: Dr. Mathias Jonas
Secretary General International Hydrographic Organization

Subject: Transition of MACHC Chair

Dear Dr. Jonas,

On behalf of Brazil, I would like to express my gratitude to the IHO Secretariat for the assistance provided by you and your team, as well as the trust placed in me as chairman of the Meso American and Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission (MACHC) this year.

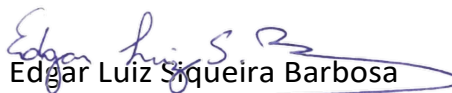
My term as Chair of the Mesoamerican and Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission (MACHC) came to an end due to my reallocation to the Brazilian Forth Naval District, in Belem City, which was recently included to the MACHC Region, thus it is time to hand over the leadership to my successor.

As a result, in line with Article 5 of the MACHC Statutes, I officially hand over the chair of the MACHC to the new Brazilian National Hydrographer, Vice-Admiral Renato Garcia Arruda, on December 3, 2021.

It was a great honor to serve as Chairman of the MACHC, and a fantastic opportunity to chair the MACHC this year, particularly the 22nd MACHC Meeting.

Under the capable leadership of my successor, I am confident that the MACHC will continue to grow.

Sincerely,


Edgar Luiz Siqueira Barbosa
Vice Admiral

Director of Hydrography and Navigation, Brazil
Chair, Meso American and Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission

CC.: MACHC Members and Associate Members; Mr. Leonel Manteigas (Assistant Director IHO).