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**To:** MACHC Members, Associate Members, Observers, Secretariat and Contributing Organisations/Industry Coastal States

**Subject:** **Selection of MACHC Chair and Vice Chair**

*Dear Esteemed Colleagues,*

As mentioned in MACHC Letter 01/2024, the two-year term for both Chair and Vice-Chair will conclude after the end of the 25th Conference of the MACHC (MACHC25). According to the MACHC Statutes, Article 5c, "At the conclusion of a Conference, Full Members will offer suggestions regarding the election of a new Chair and Vice Chair". The Statutes further state that "...to assure continuity, it is suggested that the Vice Chair be elevated to the position of Chair for the next period." Assuming this is accepted and agreed during MACHC25, the Maritime Authority of Suriname will progress to the position of the MACHC Chair thereafter.

Furthermore, we are delighted to announce that France (Rear Admiral Laurent Kerléguer) has informed us of their intention to seek the position of MACHC Vice Chair. We received no further nominations by the closing date of 31 August 2024.

*Yours Sincerely,*

Rear Admiral Angus Essenhigh OBE

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