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## National Report by

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## Main achievements during the year



- Established new leading light at West Passage Entrance.
- Continued with upgrades of aids to navigation



- Trained two new personnel on how to promulgate MSI
- Collected our first sets of CSB data from data loggers





## Main challenges and/or obstructions

- Two key staff responsible for our CSB/data logger project left office
- We have not been able to access additional data from UNDP-funded LIDAR survey
- Have not been able to conduct cost/benefit analysis of IHO membership
- NHCC have not been able to develop Terms of Reference
- Regular meetings between US and Palau have yet to be coordinated





• Plan to apply for Grant Aid to establish hydrography office to produce local charts to improve safety of visiting mega-yachts

