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**NEW IHO MEMBER STATE -
LEBANESE REPUBLIC**

Reference: Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization

Dear Hydrographer,

1. The IHO Secretariat has been informed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Government of Monaco that the Government of the Lebanese Republic deposited its Instrument of Accession to the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization on 07 December 2020. Accordingly, the IHO Secretariat is very pleased to announce that the Lebanese Republic has become the 94th Member State of the International Hydrographic Organization as of that date.
2. Separately, the Government of the Principality of Monaco, through normal diplomatic channels, is now informing the States Parties to the IHO Convention that, in conformity with Article XX, the Convention entered into force for the Lebanese Republic on 07 December 2020.
3. The IHO Secretariat is delighted to welcome the Lebanese Republic to the IHO.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary-General**