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**JOINT CANADA-IHO PROJECT EMPOWERING WOMEN IN HYDROGRAPHY
NOAA (USA) AT-SEA EXPERIENCE – INTERNSHIP SELECTION**

References:

- A. CL 20/2021 dated 31 May - Joint CANADA-IHO Project Empowering Women in Hydrography
- B. CL 35/2021 dated 15 September - Joint CANADA-IHO Project Empowering Women in Hydrography
- C. CL 07/2022 dated 04 February - Joint CANADA-IHO Project Empowering Women in Hydrography NOAA (USA) at-sea experience – Call for applications

Dear Hydrographer,

1. Reference A presented the proposal of the Joint CANADA-IHO Project Empowering Women in Hydrography (EWH). Reference B announced the project's "kick-off" meeting where it was mentioned that some internships associated with this project are planned and that the updated information related to this project will be available on the respective webpage at <https://iho.int/en/basic-cb-sc-ewh>. Reference C announced NOAA's (USA) offer of three opportunities for an at-sea experience on a NOAA hydrographic ship, associated with the EWH project, and called for applications.

2. Several applications were received and thoroughly reviewed by the EWH Project Team members. Three candidates for the 2022 at-sea experience have been selected, **Sub-Lieutenant Mercy Modupe Ogungbamila (Nigeria)**, **Ms Chiaki Okada (Japan)** and **Ms Firoso Tomohamat (Suriname)**. NOAA will communicate the exact dates of the 2022 at-sea experience and will support the selected candidates with travel costs and obtaining a visa.

3. The IHO Secretariat warmly thanks all candidates for their interest and NOAA for its engagement. The IHO Secretariat also would like to encourage Member States to consider further such offers and participation in the EWH project.

On behalf of the Secretary-General
Yours sincerely,

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