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<u>To GEBCO Guiding Committee, Chairman Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature</u> <u>Names, Chairman Technical Sub-Committee on Ocean Mapping, Chairman Sub-</u> <u>Committee on Regional Undersea Mapping, Director of the IHO Data Center for</u> <u>Digital Bathymetry, Representatives from the International Hydrographic Bureau,</u> <u>Representatives from the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, and invited</u> <u>guests,</u>

Dear Colleagues,

Meeting in Principality of Monaco, June 13-15, 2014

Second Circular

The GEBCO Guiding Committee (GGC) will meet at the International Hydrographic Bureau offices in the Principality of Monaco. The address of the meeting is International Hydrographic Bureau, 4b quai Antoine 1er B.P. 445, MC 98011 MONACO CEDEX, Telephone: +377 93 10 81 00, Telefax: + 377 93 10 81 40. Our host is Directing Committee of the International Hydrographic Bureau. The contact for local arrangements is IHB's David Wyatt, Email adso@iho.int

Further information on the location of the IHB is available from the IHO website at (http://www.iho.int/srv1/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=385&Itemid=303)

1. Program

The GGC will meet on June 13 and 14. The GGC will also meet on June 15 (morning). The Guiding Committee meeting will start at 09:00. The meeting will take place at the International Hydrographic Bureau, 4b Quai Antoine 1er B.P. 445.

The agenda for the GGC meeting is currently being developed. It will be sent by email to you before the meeting and will also be posted on the GEBCO web site.

The GEBCO Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature Names will also meet at IHB from June 16 to June 20, 2014. Members of the GEBCO Guiding Committee are welcome to attend the SCUFN meeting as observers. If you plan to attend the SCUFN meeting, please complete the registration form which can be found at http://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/com_wg/SCUFN/SCUFN27Docs.htm

<u>Please note: The two other Sub-Committees of GEBCO (Technical Sub-Committee on Ocean Mapping and the Sub-Committee on Regional Undersea Mapping) will meet at Google Headquarters in Mountain View, California, USA on December 11-13, 2014. The meeting will precede the American Geophysical Union Meeting, December 15-19, 2014. For details, please see the First Circular announcement on the GEBCO web site http://www.gebco.net/about_us/meetings_and_minutes/</u>

2. Passports and visas

Anyone wishing to enter into Principality of Monaco is required to pass through French territory. Those wishing to enter into and stay in Principality of Monaco must hold a valid passport, or travel document, bearing the stamps, visas and authorisations enabling them to enter and stay in France, in particular in the department of the Maritime Alps. Visa applications are to be made at the French Consulate or Embassy in their place of residence or any other signatory country of the Schengen agreement. Although the Principality of Monaco is an independent and Sovereign State, the border may be crossed without any formality.

All GEBCO participants should check, well before they travel, whether they will need a visa to enter Principality of Monaco. In principle all visitors must be able to show that they hold a return ticket.

If you need a **letter of invitation** to support your visa application please contact David Clark, GEBCO Permanent Secretary, at the address above.

3. Hotel accommodation

Suggested hotels include:

Hotel AMBASSADOR: *** 10, Ave. Prince Pierre, Monaco info@ambassadormonaco.com http://www.ambassadormonaco.com/

Hotel CAPITOLE: *** 19, Bld. G. Leclerc, Beausoleil, France info@hotel-capitole.fr http://www.hotel-capitole.fr/

Hotel de FRANCE^{**} 6 rue de la Turbie, Monaco http://www.hotel-france@monte-carlo.mc Hotel FORUM: *** Place des Moneghetti Beausoleil, France info@forumhotel.net http://www.forumhotel.net/

Hotel NOVOTEL: *** 16 Bld Princesse Charlotte Monaco h5275-rm@accor.com http://www.novotel.com/fr/hotel-5275-novotel-monte-carlo/

For assistance with hotel reservations, contact Ms. Mireille Mollet at the IHB (info@iho.int).

There are many other hotels in the vicinity, details can be found on the IHO web site at: <u>http://www.iho.int/srv1/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=386&Itemid=304</u>

Additional hotels may be available though the various online hotel booking web sites.

4. Local Travel Information

For information about travelling from Nice Airport to Monaco, please see the IHO web site at

(http://www.iho.int/srv1/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=385&Itemid=303)

5. Meeting Registration

It is very important that you register your attendance to the meeting with the GEBCO Permanent Secretary, David Clark, at the address above. Please send your name, institution, email address and the dates you will attend the GGC and SCUFN. This information is necessary to plan the agenda and logistics for the meeting.

6. Other Activities

There will be an icebreaker reception on Friday evening, June 13, 18:00-20:00 at the International Hydrographic Bureau, 4b Quai Antoine 1er B.P. 445.

See you soon in Monaco!

Best regards,

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David Clark GEBCO Permanent Secretary