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LIAISON NOTE

IHO representation.

# Introduction

This note follows up on the correspondence between IALA SG and IHO earlier this year regarding IALA participation. This followed concerns being raised by a number of national members regarding the portrayal of Aids to Navigation in S-57 and future S-100 formats.

# Discussion

IHO suggested that IALA participate in the HSSC-8 which will meet at IHO in Monaco from 14 to 18 November 2016. The ARM Committee Chair was requested to consider who of the Committee members is available best suited to participate in HSSC-8.

A suitable attendee has not been forthcoming due to the challenges of meeting location, time required for attendance and pressures of work.

However a number of IHO national members have been approached by IALA national members to brief them on the concerns previously identified.

This however does not mitigate the fact that there is a clear need to ensure portrayal of Aids to Navigation and associated features in current and future ENC are considered further by IHO and the provision of AtoN is not undermined by how it is portrayed on ENC.

Following a presentation on S-201 by an ENAV representative at ARM5 it became clear that the S-201 only covers the data sets to describe an AtoN but does not cover how it will be portrayed. This aspect is covered by the IHO rules for portrayal.

In addition during the ARM/ENAV workshop on AIS it was clearly identified as a workshop conclusion that portrayal was an issue that IALA and IHO must liaise on.

The committee believes that IALA involvement at IHO is as important as IMO and ITU.

For IALA to influence the portrayal rules attendance is necessary at S-100 and ENC working groups and HSSC meetings. HSSC9 is 6-10 November 2017 in Ottawa.

Guttorm Tomren of Norway has volunteered to represent IALA at the ENC and S-100 working groups for which IALA accreditation is required. Guttorm has previously represented Norway and a clear distinction in this new role is required. The ARM committee believes the HSSC meetings would be best attended by the SG or DSG.

# Action requested

The SG is requested to inform IHO of Guttorm Tomren’s attendance and his accreditation as an IALA representative. The SG is further requested to arrange appropriate attendance from IALA at the HSSC meetings.