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Mr. Francis Zachariae
Secretary General, IALA
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Dear Mr. Zachariae:

This is to nominate Mr. Jorge Arroyo for the position of Vice Chairman of the IALA e-Navigation Committee.

Mr. Arroyo has been working in the field of electronic Navigation for the past 17 years. He serves as a U.S. Advisor to the Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue Subcommittee of the IMO, and chaired the IMO Automatic Identification System (AIS) Aids to Navigation (AtoN) Policy Drafting Group. As a member of IALA's AIS and ENAV committees, he served as vice-chair of the AIS Working Group from 2008-2012. He is currently on the Board of Directors for the International Marine Electronics Alliance (IMEA), and serves as a U.S. representative to International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) and International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

Mr. Arroyo has my strongest possible endorsement to serve as Vice Chairman of the ENAV Committee, and I am confident he will successfully carry out the duties and responsibilities of this important position.

The U.S. Coast Guard will undertake responsibility for all costs associated with Mr. Arroyo's required attendance at meetings and sessions in his capacity as Vice Chairman.

I appreciate your consideration on this matter and look forward to seeing you at the 63rd council meeting this coming December.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. J. Smith", with "USCG" written below it.

S. J. SMITH
IALA Councillor for the United States
Chief, Office of Navigation Systems
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