



From: VTS Committee

To: IALA Council

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## LIAISON NOTE

### IALA Guideline on public and media relations in special/defined circumstances

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

The VTS Committee was tasked to prepare a Guideline on public and media relations in special/defined circumstances (Task 1.2.1) as part of its 2014-2018 Work Programme.

#### 2 DISCUSSION

The Committee has considered this task throughout the 2014/2018 Work Programme and participants have identified that adequate guidance on this matter is already available in the VTS Manual 2016 (Chapter 17 Public Information) and that there is no imminent need for a separate Guideline.

Further, the Committee identified that many countries and authorities already have policies and / or legislation in place regarding the release of information and data as well as public and media relations.

#### 3 ACTION REQUESTED

The IALA Council is requested to:

1. **Note** the Committee's comments regarding guidance already available in the VTS Manual 2016 (Chapter 17 Public Information) on this matter, and.
2. **Approve** the Committee's request that Task 1.2.1 *Produce a Guideline on public and media relations in special/defined circumstances* be removed from the 2014-2018 Work Programme.