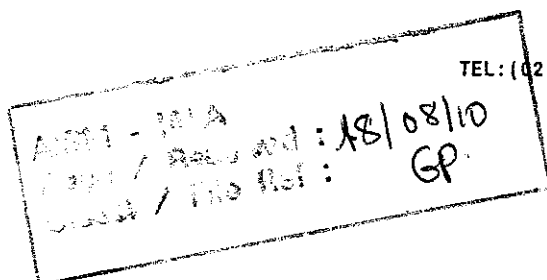


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August 5, 2010

Mr. Gary Prosser
IALA Secretariat
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Dear Mr. Prosser,

As this Directorate General is currently the government agency responsible for the establishment and management of aids to navigation within the jurisdiction of the Republic of China (Taiwan), I am pleased to inform you that we completed the construction of our aids to navigation in accordance with the requirements regarding IALA-Region B in June 2008.

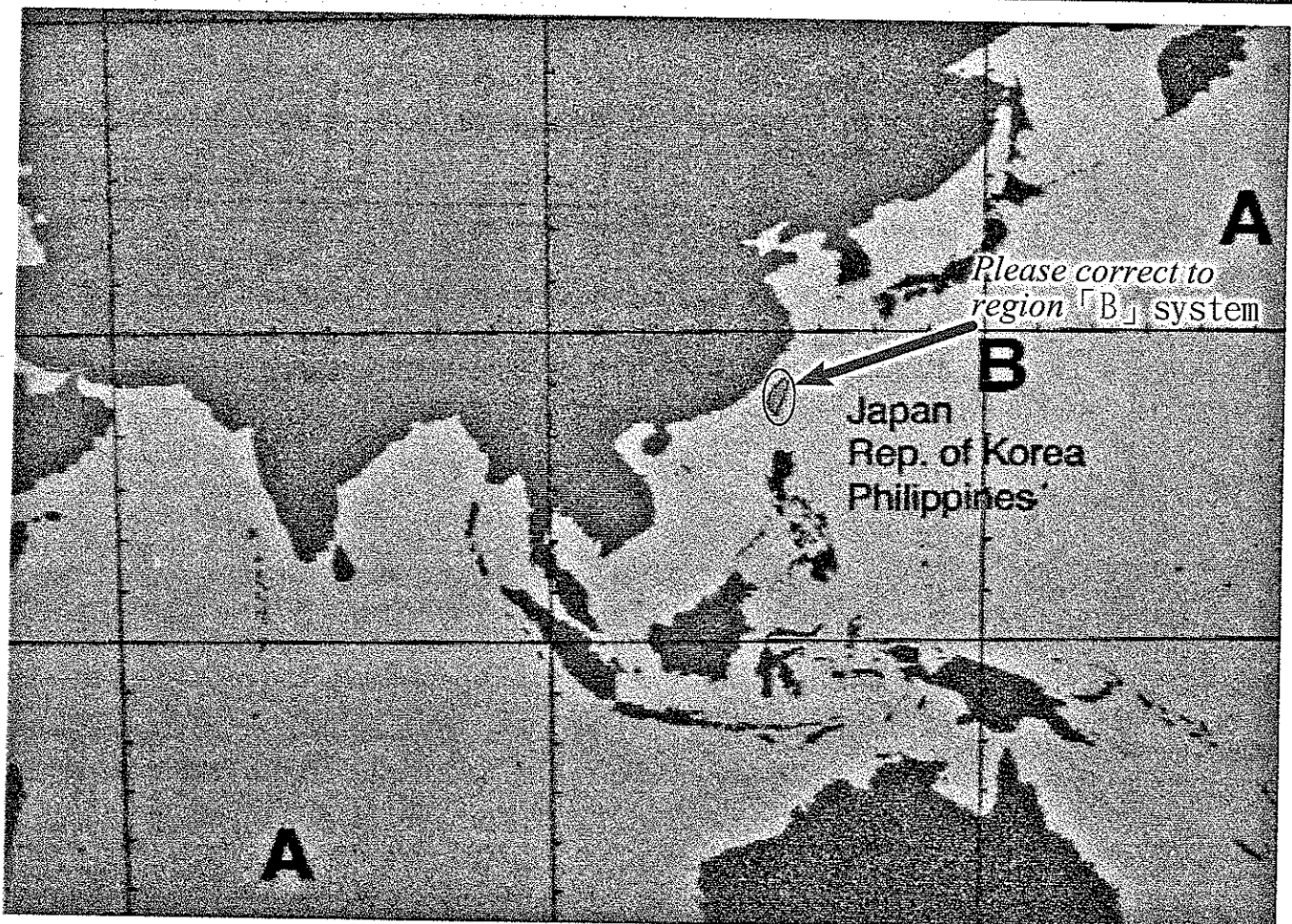
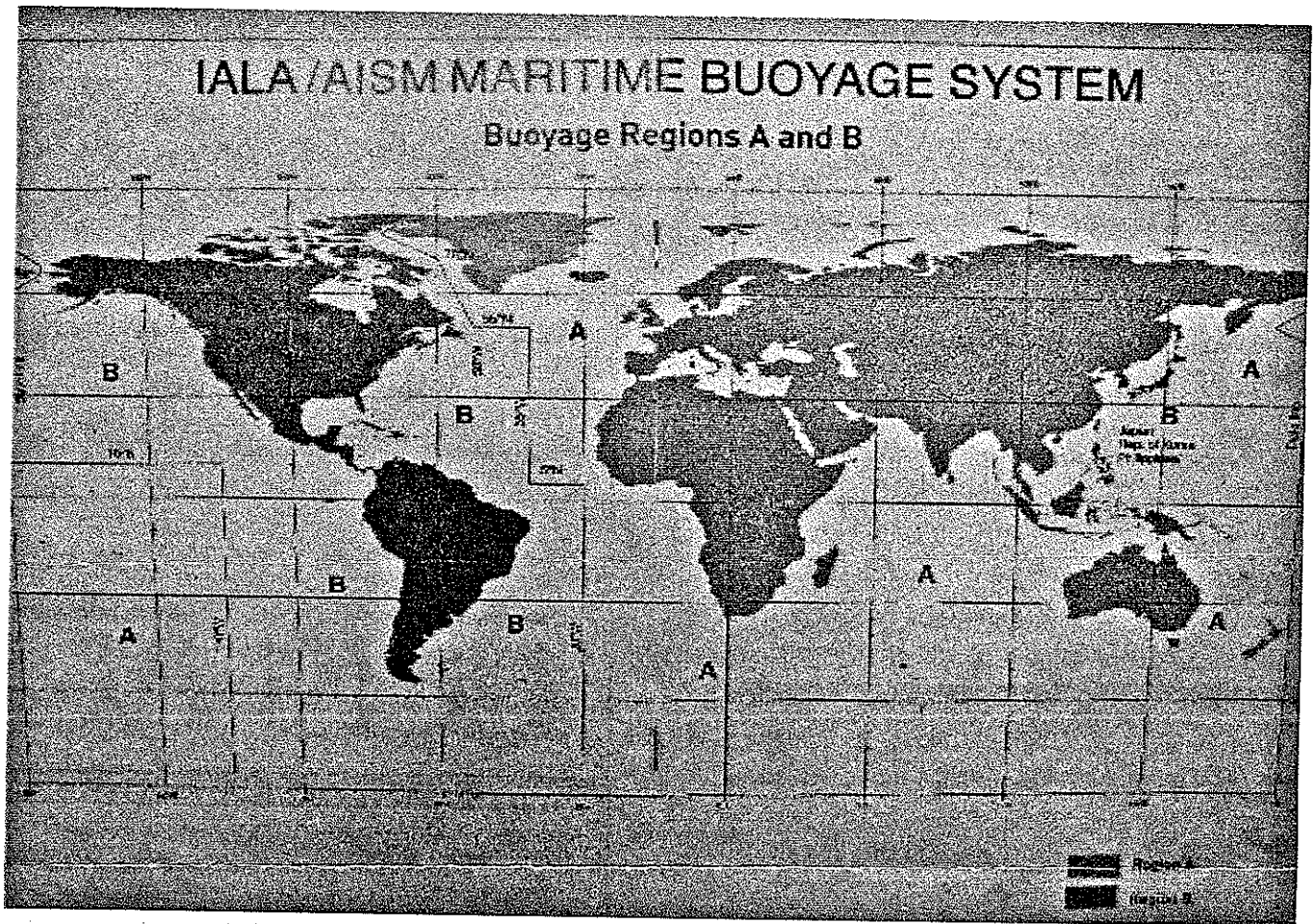
However, when attending the 17th IALA Conference held at Cape Town, South Africa, in March 2010, our delegates found that according to the publications distributed at the Conference, our aids to navigation still belong to IALA-Region A. As it doesn't conform to the real situation, I am thus writing to call for a prompt correction in this regard to ensure the safety of navigation.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in advance, while looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours respectfully,

Ai-Kuo Wu
Director General
Directorate General of Customs
Ministry of Finance
Republic of China (Taiwan)

IALA Global Maritime Buoyage System picture



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ATTN: MR NORMAN MATTHEWS

T'AI-WAN - IALA BUOYAGE

PLEASE COULD YOU ADVISE WHETHER IALA BUOYAGE REGION 'A' OR REGION 'B'
HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY ADOPTED BY T'AI-WAN

THANK YOU

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*Taiwan is not party to
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TO : MR. BURKE/NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH 6B
FROM : MR N. F. MATTHEWS/IALA
DATE : JUNE 17, 1992

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEX. TAIWAN IS NOT A SIGNATORY TO THE BUOYAGE
AGREEMENT. HOWEVER, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY HAVE ADOPTED IALA
BUOYAGE REGION A, THE SAME AS MAINLAND CHINA.

REGARDS,

N. F. MATTHEWS
SECRETARY GENERAL

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Regiones de Boyado A y B, Noviembre 1980

