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MESO AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN SEA HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION



MACHC Letter 12 / 2009  
17 February 2009

To: International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB)  
Att. Captain Hugo Gorziglia, IHB Director

Subject: **Voting Situation of the Amendments to the IHO Convention**

References: a) MACHC Letter 04/2009; and  
b) IHB CL 01/2009.

Dear Captain Gorziglia,

1. As you know, MACHC Chairman distributed by a Commission Letter (reference **a**) a form to be fulfilled by their Member States (MS) regarding the voting situation of the Amendments to the IHO Convention (reference **b**). The results are compiled in the Annex to this letter and may be summarized as follows:

From the 12 MACHC Member States, at this day:

- 5 already approved the Amendments (Cuba, France, Mexico, Netherlands, and United Kingdom);
- 2 have the subject under consideration of their National Congress already (Brazil and Colombia); and
- The remaining MS, the Chairman couldn't get information on it.

2. As requested at IHB CL 01/2009, the Commission will keep the subject on its Agenda until the Amendments enter in force.

Yours sincerely,

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Vice Admiral (Brazil)  
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MACHC Chairman

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## Annex to MACHC Letter 12/2009

### Voting Situation for the Amendments to the IHO Convention of MACHC Member States (Feb 16 2009)

<b>Member State</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Brazil	Under consideration of the National Congress	No comments.
Colombia	Under consideration of Government Authorities	There was a need to an Official translation into Spanish in order to submit to the National Congress.
Cuba	Approved already	- - -
France	Approved already	- - -
Guatemala	Ignored	No response
Jamaica	Ignored	No response
Mexico	Approved already	- - -
Netherlands	Approved already	- - -
Suriname	Ignored	No response
United Kingdom	Approved already	- - -
United States of America	Ignored	No response
Venezuela	Ignored	No response