



OTHER ITEMS PROPOSED BY A MEMBER STATE OR BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

AGENDA ITEM 7.4

PROPOSAL FOR THE REVISION OF ARTICLE 8.E OF THE GENERAL REGULATIONS OF THE IHO – MEMBERSHIP OF THE IHO HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION ON ANTARCTICA (HCA)



- The revised Statutes of the HCA entered into force in May 2022
- As a follow up, HCA agreed that Article 8.e of the General Regulations of the IHO needed to be reconsidered.
- HCA18 endorsed proposed amendments to Art. 8.e and tasked the HCA Secretariat to submit these proposed amendments for Council's endorsement, then submit it to A-3 as Council proposal for final approval.



COMPARISON BETWEEN THE EXISTING AND THE NEW VERSION OF CLAUSE (E) OF ART. 8 GR

Version in force

- Art. 8 (e): “Full membership is reserved for Member States within the region. In the unique case of the Antarctic region, membership of the Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (HCA) is reserved for Member States whose governments have acceded to the Antarctic Treaty and contribute resources and/or data to IHO INT Chart coverage of Region M.”

Proposed version

- Art. 8 (e): “Full membership is reserved for Member States within the region. In the unique case of the Antarctic region, membership of the Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (HCA) is reserved for Member States whose governments have acceded to the Antarctic Treaty and contribute resources to the provision of hydrographic data, products and services supporting marine safety of navigation within, and/or the wider marine geospatial information of the Antarctic region.”



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NEW MEMBERSHIP CONDITIONS OF THE IHO HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION ON ANTARCTICA (HCA)

ACTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL

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C-6 is invited to

- endorse the proposed changes of Article 8.e of the General Regulations and task the Council Chair to submit it to A-3 as Council proposal for final Assembly approval.