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IHO Report on the State of Hydrography and Nautical Charting of Kiribati

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The Secretary

Ministry of Communications, Transport and Tourist Development

Kiribati

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Dear Madame Secretary,

I am pleased to forward by email the final report on The State of Hydrography and Nautical Charting in the Republic of Kiribati. The Report is the result of the visit that took place in November 2011.

The report includes a list of recommended courses of action that your government and other stakeholders may wish to consider to improve the current situation that the report states to be most unsatisfactory at present. An absolutely fundamental requirement for improvement to happen is a commitment at the local level to maintain a liaison and to supply up to date information to the authorities producing and maintaining the charts covering Kiribati.

40 copies of the report are being forwarded by mail to you for distribution in-country. Please provide a copy to those addressees resident in Kiribati and retain the balance for your own purposes. If you require further copies or any other assistance or information in relation to the report and its recommendations, please do not hesitate to ask. A copy of the report can also be downloaded from the IHO website.

The IHO would welcome feedback on the value of its report and would also appreciate receiving regular information on what measures are being taken to address the hydrographic needs of Kiribati that have been identified in the report. The IHO stands ready to assist and advise Kiribati in implementing the recommended measures to improve hydrography and nautical charting services covering Kiribati.

On behalf of the Directing Committee

Yours sincerely,

Robert WARD Director

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