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Paper for information of the CBSC

Summary report of the North Indian Ocean Hydrographic Commission (NIOHC)

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Executive Summary:	This paper provides a summary report of CB activities to CBSC12
Reference:	NIOHC CB Plan 2013-2017

Introduction - background

1. A five year plan for CB activity in the NIOHC region was approved by the membership in 2012. This plan covers the period 2013-2017 and is reviewed annually (during NIOHC meetings) to ensure it meets regional requirements. The plan is based on assessing the phase of development of each of the coastal states within the NIOHC region (as determined by the IHO's three phases of CB) and arranging training activity to build the necessary capability to meet SOLAS treaty obligations. There is a great deal of 'SOLAS awareness' required in this region.

Activities completed since CBSC11

2. Technical advisory & assessment visit to *Sri Lanka* completed in January 2014
3. An Advanced Chart Production training course for *Myanmar* delivered in March 2014
4. An Advanced Chart Production training course for *Bangladesh* delivered in May 2014
5. The following activities are planned for 2014:-
 - Technical visit to Government high authorities – *Jordan*
 - MSI (training on establishment of MSI structure and basic MSI procedures for NIOHC Members)
 - Development of a Regional Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure (MSDI) Workshop for NIOHC Members. There was little support for this activity when it was made clear that NIOHC members would need to fund travel & subsistence themselves. This course is unlikely to take place.

Action Required of CBSC

5. The CBSC is invited to take note of this report