



Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee

Comments by Finland
on re-structuring HSSC Working Groups
[HSSC5-04.2E]

Establishment of S-100WG

- ✦ We strongly support the proposed establishment of S-100WG. This seems to be well justified.
- ✦ However, we would emphasize that maintaining S-57 should not be threatened, there should be enough resources also for maintaining S-57 for many years
- ✦ We support the S-100 WG to be established and to get working ASAP, even before HSSC6.



Initial comments to other re-organisation proposals

- ✦ The other initial comments related to reorganisation of other HSSC WGs are not fully fixed positions but we are open to rethink these if new arguments are tabled.
- ✦ Also these re-organisations may be implemented later on, they are not so urgent than S-100WG
- ✦ In addition we to support the proposal of France to evaluate the MSs' resources and commitments to the work of WGs. The work of the WGs should be based on realistic resource estimations.
 - E.g. in Finland we have now very reduced resources, and I fear that in the near future the situation will be still much worse.



Action requested of HSSC

- ✦ endorse the re-organisation of HSSC S-100 Working Group
- ✦ consider the comments and proposals

