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TO : International Hydrographic Bureau

SUBJECT : Turkey's Comments on S-23 WG Letter 04/2011.

REF. : (a) S-23 WG Letter No. 04/2011, dated 22 July 2011

- (b) TN-ONHO's fax message dated 20 May 2011
- (c) S-23 WG Letter No. 02/2011, dated 21 March 2011

Dear Chairman,

The comments of Turkey for the ref (a) letter are as follows;

1. Turkey agrees to extend the work of the S-23 Working Group till early next year in order to give more time for progressing the issues where agreement has not been reached and to ask the Directing Committee to inform Member States that the report of the S-23 WG will be provided in January/February 2012 as more work is needed.

2. Turkey revises its proposal on the way of insertion the details and arguments of the reservations in paragraph 2 of the ref (b) and supports the proposal in paragraph 5.2, 2nd bullet, article d) of ref (c), which read "Whether Member States agree to insert in S-23, reservations which they may have on different positions on certain names, or limits or both, appearing on the same page, as indicated in the 2nd bullet point of paragraph 2.4 of the S-23 WG Letter No. 06/2010. The details and arguments of the reservations to be included in an Annex".

Best regards,