



Ministerio de Defensa
Servicio de Hidrografía Naval

NOTA SIHN, HC4 Nº 41/12.

BUENOS AIRES, 30 agosto de 2012.

Dear Sir:

In reference to the Circular Letter 78/2012 on the changes to the "Guidelines for the implementation of the WEND Principles" proposed to the 18^a IHC, the HYDROGRAPHIC NAVAL SERVICE wants to provide the following comments:

Annex B to CL 78/2012

**A- Dealing with Gaps in ENC coverage
d) and e)**

If gaps in ENCs cannot be duly covered by a coastal state, the situation will be considered and solved by the corresponding RHC Member States in order to determine the State which will temporarily produce and maintain the ENCs until such coastal state can resume its own responsibilities. This will be arranged by means of a bilateral agreement.

Note: The intention of this is to avoid non-RHC ENC producers. They will only be admitted after trying all the internal possibilities and with previous express consent of the coastal state.

This new standard would render item f invalid.

Thank you very much,
Sincerely yours

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A- Dealing with gaps in ENC coverage

(puntos d y e)

En caso de gaps que no puedan ser cubiertos en tiempo y forma por un Estado Costero, dicha situación será analizada y resuelta prioritariamente entre Estados Miembros de la RHC correspondiente a fin de determinar quien se hará cargo de la producción y mantenimiento transitorios de la/s ENC/s correspondientes hasta que dicho Estado Costero pueda reasumir la responsabilidad de la/s misma/s. Esto se acordará mediante acuerdo bilateral.

Aclaración: esto propende a evitar dar entrada directa a productores de ENC ajenos a la RHC previo a agotar las instancias internas de la misma y sin la aprobación expresa del Estado Costero en su elección.

Con este nuevo criterio el punto f quedaría sin efecto.