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8.3 Marine climatological data banks (agenda item 8.3)

8.3.4 The Commission recalled that, at its ninth session, it had noted that a comparison of quality-control procedures for marine climatological data employed by various Members had shown that they were far from being uniform and in some cases did not reach an acceptable standard. It had therefore instructed the Working Group on Marine Climatology to consider the development of minimum standards for such quality-control procedures. The working group had subsequently studied this question at its fifth session and agreed on a set of minimum controls which it recommended for application by contributing Members before the dispatch of data to the responsible Members.

8.3.5 The Commission reviewed the draft minimum quality-control standards and agreed that this set should be included as an annex to Part II, section 5 of the Manual on Marine Meteorological Services, as a recommendation to contributing Members. It adopted Recommendation 7 (CMM-X) on the subject.

Rec.7 (CMM-X) – MINIMUM QUALITY-CONTROL STANDARDS FOR MARINE CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA

THE COMMISSION FOR MARINE METEOROLOGY,
NOTING:

- (1) The Manual on Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 558), Part II, Section 5 – Marine Climatological Summaries Scheme (MCSS),
- (2) The abridged final report of CMM-IX, general summary, paragraph 7.3.3,
- (3) The final report of the fifth session of the CMM Working Group on Marine Climatology, Geneva, November 1986,

CONSIDERING:

- (1) That the quality-control and correction procedures presently applied to marine climatological data by various contributing Members are far from uniform,
- (2) That it is highly desirable that quality control applied by contributing Members should reach a minimum acceptable standard,

RECOMMENDS:

- (1) That the set of minimum quality-control standards given in the annex to this recommendation should be applied by all Members contributing data to the MCSS;
- (2) That this set of quality-control standards should be included as an annex to Part II, Section 5 of the Manual on Marine Meteorological Services.