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ABRIDGED FINAL REPORT WITH RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

WMO-NO. 931

GENERAL SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

7.1 MARINE CLIMATOLOGY (agenda item 7.1)
MARINE CLIMATOLOGICAL SUMMARIES SCHEME

7.1.2 The Commission recalled that MQC standards, to be applied by Contributing Members/Member States prior to data submission, had been first adopted by CMM-XI (Lisbon, April 1993), and revised by CMM-XII (Havana, March 1997). The eighth session of the Subgroup on Marine Climatology (Asheville, April 2000), based on advice from the GCCs, had developed some small additional revisions and updates to those MQC standards, designed to enhance further the quality of VOS data submitted to the GCCs. Those revisions also included an MQC standards version number. The Commission noted that the revisions based on recommendations by CMM-XII and the Subgroup on Marine Climatology now formed a part of the Guide to Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 471) as MQC standards version 3. After the publication of the Guide, the Subgroup developed additional revisions and the Commission agreed with those revisions as MQC standards version 4. A recommendation for their adoption and inclusion in the Manual was recorded under agenda item 9.

9. REVIEW OF TECHNICAL REGULATIONS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMISSION (agenda item 9)

9.2 The Commission recalled that under agenda item 7.1 it had agreed to remove references to the exchange

of sea-surface current data obtained from a ship's set and drift from both the Guide and the Manual on Marine Meteorological Services, in view of the discontinuance of such exchange over the past 10 years. Furthermore, under agenda item 7.1 it had agreed to some modifications to the MQC standards applied to marine climatological data exchanged under the MCSS. It therefore adopted Recommendation 9 (JCOMM-I), to effect those changes to the Manual. It agreed that those same modifications should also be applied to the MQC standards in the Guide to Marine Meteorological Services. No further modifications to relevant parts of the WMO Technical Regulations (WMO-No. 49) were considered necessary.

RECOMMENDATION 9 (JCOMM-I)

FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE MANUAL ON MARINE METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES (WMO-No. 558)

THE JOINT WMO/IOC TECHNICAL COMMISSION FOR OCEANOGRAPHY AND MARINE METEOROLOGY,
NOTING:

- (1) The Manual on Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 558), Volume I, Part I, Section 5 and Appendix I.15,
- (2) The final report of the eighth session of the JCOMM Subgroup on Marine Climatology (JCOMM Meeting Report No. 2, Asheville, April 2000),
- (3) Recommendation 10 (JCOMM-I) — Amendments to the Guide to Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 471),

CONSIDERING:

- (1) The importance of the minimum quality control standards to the quality of the data contained in the MCSS data archives,

(2) That no ocean current data obtained from ship's set and drift had been submitted to the International Surface Current Data Centre (ISCDC, Bracknell, United Kingdom) for more than 10 years and that no requests had been made to the Centre for such data in the same period,

RECOMMENDS:

(1) That the amendments as detailed in Annex 1 to this recommendation be included in the Manual on Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 558) and in the Guide to Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 471);

(2) That the revised minimum quality control standards as given in Annex 2 to this recommendation be included in Volume I, Part I, Appendix I.15 of the Manual on Marine Meteorological Services (WMO-No. 558).

ANNEX 1 TO RECOMMENDATION 9 (JCOMM-I)
AMENDMENTS TO THE MANUAL ON MARINE METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES (WMO-No. 558)

Delete entirely Section 6.2.2 — Exchange of sea-surface current data obtained from a ship's set and drift.
Maintain Appendix I.17 as documented metadata of the procedures previously used.

ANNEX 2 TO RECOMMENDATION 9 (JCOMM-I)
MINIMUM QUALITY CONTROL STANDARDS
(VERSION 4, JUNE 2001)

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