
Resolution 4 (EC-LXII)

REPORT OF THE THIRD SESSION OF THE JOINT WMO/IOC TECHNICAL COMMISSION FOR OCEANOGRAPHY AND MARINE METEOROLOGY

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL,

Having considered the *Abridged Final Report with Resolutions and Recommendations of the Third Session of the Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology* (WMO-No. 1049),

Noting:

- (1) Resolution 4 (EC-LII) – Data Buoy Cooperation Panel,
- (2) Resolution 6 (EC-LVIII) – Report of the second session of the Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology,
- (3) Resolutions 1 to 5 (JCOMM-III),

Decides that the terms of reference for the Data Buoy Cooperation Panel and its Technical Coordinator should be as given in Annex 1 to the present resolution, and to take the following actions on the recommendations:

Recommendation 1 (JCOMM-III) – Establishment of WMO/IOC Regional Marine Instrument Centres

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 2 (JCOMM-III) – New terms of reference for an expanded Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology in Situ Observations Programme Support Centre

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 3 (JCOMM-III) – Provision of Ocean Data Acquisition System and water temperature metadata

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 4 (JCOMM-III) – Development of data management standards

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 5 (JCOMM-III) – Guide to Operational Ocean Forecasting Systems

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General, in coordination with the Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO:
 - (1) To arrange for the preparation of the Guide;
 - (2) To publish the Guide in the WMO and UNESCO/IOC Manuals and Guides series;

Recommendation 6 (JCOMM-III) – Integrated Storm Surge Watch Scheme

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General, in coordination with the Executive Secretary, UNESCO/IOC, to provide adequate support to achieve the objectives of the demonstration project(s);

Recommendation 7 (JCOMM-III) – Establishment of an IMO/WMO Worldwide Met-Ocean Information and Warning Service

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General:
 - (1) To provide technical advisory assistance to Members concerned in the implementation of the International Maritime Organization/WMO Worldwide Met-ocean Information and Warning Service;
 - (2) To bring this recommendation to the attention of the International Maritime Organization and the International Hydrographic Organization, and to continue to liaise closely with them in the operation and further development of the service;

Recommendation 8 (JCOMM-III) – Implementation of Quality Management Systems for Met-ocean data, products and services by Members/Member States

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 9 (JCOMM-III) – Modifications to the International Maritime Meteorological Tape and Minimum Quality Control Standard

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General to provide appropriate technical advisory assistance to Members concerned, as required, in the implementation of the revised format and standard;

Recommendation 10 (JCOMM-III) – Amendments to the WMO Global Maritime Distress and Safety System Marine Broadcast System

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General:
 - (1) To provide appropriate technical advisory assistance to Members concerned in the implementation of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System Marine Broadcast System;
 - (2) To bring this recommendation to the attention of the International Maritime Organization, the International Hydrographic Organization, and other organizations and bodies concerned, and to continue to liaise closely with them in the operation of the system;

Recommendation 11 (JCOMM-III) – Amendments to the WMO Technical Regulations, including the *Manual on Marine Meteorological Services* (WMO-No. 558) and the *Guide to Marine Meteorological Services* (WMO-No. 471)

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General to arrange for the inclusion of these procedures in the *Manual on Marine Meteorological Services* and in the *Guide to Marine Meteorological Services*;
- (c) Authorizes the Secretary-General to make any consequent editorial amendments to the chapters of these two publications;

Recommendation 12 (JCOMM-III) – Amendments to the Marine Climatological Summaries and the WMO Voluntary Observing Ship Scheme

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General to provide appropriate technical advisory assistance to Members concerned, as required, in the implementation of the Voluntary Observing Ship Scheme;

Recommendation 13 (JCOMM-III) – Amendments to the Marine Accident Emergency Support

- (a) Approves the recommendation;
- (b) Requests the Secretary-General, in coordination with the Executive Secretary, UNESCO/IOC:
 - (1) To bring this recommendation to the attention of the United Nations Environment Programme, the International Maritime Organization and other organizations and bodies concerned, and to invite them to collaborate in the further development and operation of the Marine Pollution Emergency Response Support System;
 - (2) To provide appropriate technical advisory assistance to Members concerned, as required, in the implementation of the Marine Pollution Emergency Response Support System;

Recommendation 14 (JCOMM-III) – Terms of reference for the Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology

To revise the terms of reference proposed by JCOMM as given in Annex 2 to the present resolution and to recommend their adoption by Congress;

Recommendation 15 (JCOMM-III) – Terms of reference for an end-to-end external review of the Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology

Approves the recommendation;

Recommendation 16 (JCOMM-III) – Review of relevant resolutions of the governing bodies of WMO and UNESCO/IOC

Action on this recommendation was taken by the Executive Council when reviewing its previous resolutions.

Note: This resolution replaces Resolution 4 (EC-LII) and Resolution 6 (EC-LVIII), which are no longer in force.
