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Annexes: 2

Subject: Monthly letter on the operation of the World Weather Watch (December 1982)

Action required: To be noted and brought to the attention of appropriate operational units

Dear Sir/Madam,

As indicated in my letter PR-3398 of 26 March 1982, all the information on changes to the operation of the World Weather Watch is now to be assembled and distributed by the Secretariat on a monthly basis to facilitate updating and follow-up action.

Attached, you will find annexes providing the latest WWW operational information. Those items and sub-items for which information is provided are listed below:

Annex I - Global Observing System

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- C. Information on operational status of elements of the surface-based sub-system
 - 1. Publication No. 9, Volume A - Stations
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 - 3. Automatic marine stations

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To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydro-meteorological Services) of Members of WMO (PR-3501)
Directors of Meteorological Services of non-Member countries (MC-2237)
Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Regional Associations (P.RA-1024)
Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Technical Commissions (P.TC-1097)
Chairmen of CBS Working Groups
Secretary-General of ICAO
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Annex III - Global Telecommunication System

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 - 1. Catalogue of Meteorological bulletins (Publication No. 9, Volume I, Chapter I)
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 - 2.3 Changes in schedules/technical specifications
 - 6. Coastal radio stations (Publication No. 9, Volume I, Part I)
 - 6.1 New stations

Your co-operation in ensuring that the above information reaches the appropriate operational units of your service is greatly appreciated. If you wish to receive additional copies of the monthly circular letter, please inform me accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



for the Secretary-General
(G.K. Weiss)
Director
World Weather Watch Department

A. GOS regulatory or guidance material1. Changes in the allocation of station index numbers

It is to be remembered that all synoptic stations in the Arabian peninsula, except Saudi Arabian stations north of latitude 23°N will be renumbered as from 1 January 1983. The last consolidated list of changes to index numbers was given in the September 1982 monthly letter.

C. Information on operational status of elements of the surface-based sub-system1. Publication No. 9, Volume A - Stations1.1 New stations

61873 MAKENI	0833N 1203W	84	-	X X X X X X X X	H00-24 /
02948 SAVONLINNA	6156N 2856E	95	95	. . X X X X X /
01232 VINJEORA II	6312N 0900E	-	47	. . X . X . X /
09480 OSCHATZ	5118N 1306E	152	150	X X X X X X X X	 /
09496 COTTBUS	5147N 1419E	69	69	. . X X X X X /
94880 NOOJEE	3753S 14558E	-	236	23 . 05 /

1.2 Deleted stations

06076 HADSTEN /
 09479 COLLMBERG /
 09492 COTTBUS /
 94206 COCKATOO ISLAND /
 95865 ASPENDALE /

3. Automatic marine stations

The following new drifting buoys have been deployed by Norway:

<u>WMO buoy</u> <u>Identifier</u>	<u>Argos ID</u>	<u>Deployed</u>		<u>Parameters</u> <u>transmitted</u>	<u>Operated by</u>
		<u>Date</u>	<u>Position</u>		
63519	03723	29 Nov. 1982	66°23'N 01°19'E	P T _W	DNMI
63520	03722	26 Nov. 1982	70°30'N 08°00'E	P T _W	DNMI

Reports in DRIBU code from the above drifting buoys are being inserted on the GTS by RTH Paris.

Legend

DNMI = Norwegian Meteorological Institute, P.O. Box 320, Blindern, Oslo 3, Norway

A. GTS regulatory or guidance material

1. Guidance material on meteorological telecommunications

The following additional contribution for guidance material on meteorological telecommunications, which will assist Members in developing their meteorological telecommunication centres and circuits, is now available in the Secretariat. Requests for receiving a copy of this contribution may be sent to the Secretariat. However, details will be available directly from the source.

<u>Distribution No.</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Available in (Language)</u>	<u>No. of Pages</u>
11	Automatic system of RTH-Vienna	Bundesamt für Zivilluftfahrt, Austria	English	5

B. Updating of Manual on GTS in respect of exchange lists

1. Global exchange lists (Manual on the GTS, Volume I, Part I, Attachment I-4)

2. Regional exchange lists (Manual on the GTS, Volume II, Region II, Attachment AI-I)

New index numbers will come into effect as from 1 January 1983 for all synoptic stations in the Arabian peninsula, except Saudi Arabian stations north of latitude 23°N. A consolidated list showing old and new index numbers was given in the September 1982 monthly letter, Annex 1, Item A.1. Consequent changes to the global and regional exchange lists will be incorporated in Amendment No. 28 to the GTS Manual to be issued in January 1983.

C. Information on the operations of GTS

1. Catalogue of Meteorological Bulletins (Publication No. 9, Volume C, Chapter I)

1.3 Changes to bulletins

Replace station index numbers: 09479 by 09480 and 09492 by 09496 in the following bulletins:

SMDD44 ETPD (28702)
 SIDD44 ETPD (28711)
 SNDD44 ETPD (28721) /

2. Transmission schedules (Publication No. 9 Volume C, Chapter II)

2.3 Changes in schedules/technical specifications

(i) changes in schedules:

VI-iii Offenbach/Main-Mainflingen (DCF37) radio-facsimile broadcast effective 1.12.82 for the Q341 GMT chart FUNT LFPW replace (column 5) CFFFF number 98506 by 98546 and (column 8) 200 hPa by 250 hPa