

5. Argos monthly status report

5.1 As at 1 March 1988, the Argos service was handling reports from 501 drifting buoys, 78 moored buoys, 1 balloon, 16 ships, 78 animal trackings, 411 fixed stations and 171 miscellaneous platforms. A daily mean of 1092 DRIBU reports from 156 drifting buoys and 2 BATHY reports from 1 selected ship were transmitted to the RTH Paris for insertion into the GTS. The list of platforms reporting through Argos and distributed over the GTS is given below.

## (a) DRIBU code:

<u>Operating country</u>	<u>WMO Identifier/call sign</u>	<u>Argos Identifier</u>	
Australia	55531	02931	
	55532	02932	
	55533	02933	
	55544	02944	
	55551	02951	
	55552	02952	
	55553	02953	
	55555	02955	
	55556	02956	
	56526	01161	
	56528	01163	
	56531	01166	
	62551	00249	
	Canada	44733	03120
		44734	03122
44754		03318	
44756		03320	
44759		03323	
44736+		03325	
44757+		03321	
France	FMZ +	04708	
	44603	05792	
	62004	01448	
	62501	05638	
	62503	05790	
	62505	05795	
	62552	00206	
	65514	05791	
Netherlands	44612	04186	
	64560	04187	
	65571	04185	

+ PIT's which were removed from the GTS during the month of February.

<u>Operating country</u>	<u>WMO Identifier/call sign</u>	<u>Argos Identifier</u>
New Zealand	55572+	06428
	55573	06429
Norway	64515	03708
	71001	01757
South Africa*	15521	09492
	16021	09490
	17011	09494
United Kingdom	44722	06290
	44724	06286
	44725	06289
	44726	04037
	62801	06291
	64043	06270
United States of America	11801	04850
	11804	04853
	14802	06735
	15501	06742
	15810	08826
	16802	06758
	16803	08825
	17806	06741
	17807	06743
	17809	06746
	17810	06747
	17811	06750
	17812	06751
	17813	06752
	17814	06753
	17815	08812
	17816	08814
	17817	08822
	17819	08824
	32512	04821
	32513	04823
	32514	06864
	32515	06859
	32516	06860
	32517	06863
	32518	02987
	32519	04822
	32537	03139
	32545	04807
	32546	04811
	32547	03133
	32549	04816
	32801	06782
32802	06765	
32803	06784	
32805	06397	
32806	06777	
32807	06780	
32811	09213	
32812	09215	
32813	09210	
33801	06748	
33802	06766	
33803	06749	

+ PTT's which were removed from the GTS during the month of February.

\* The Government of the Republic of South Africa has been suspended by Resolution 38 (Cg-VII) from exercising its rights and enjoying its privileges as a Member of WMO.

<u>Operating country</u>	<u>WMO Identifier/call sign</u>	<u>Argos Identifier</u>
United States of America (continued)	33804	06767
	33814	06023
	33815	08813
	33816	08817
	33817	08818
	33818	08819
	33819	08827
	33820	08830
	33821	08831
	34810	06391
	34811	06779
	34812	06768
	34813	08821
	34814	09211
	42509	03344
	43501	04825
	43502	06856
	43503	06867
	43504	06858
	43505	06868
	44508	04560
	44509	04553
	44511	04528
	44512	04562
	51510	02988
	51514	04819
	51515	04820
	51516	06854
	51517	06855
	51518	06857
	51519	06862
	52801	04828
	52803	04829
	52804	06850
	52805	06851
	52814	04803
	52816	04805
	52819	01340
	52820	01341
	53811	06761
	54810	06045
	54813	06722
	54814	06047
	54815	06069
	54816	06724
	54817	06770
	54818	06771
	54819	06772
	54820	08820
	54821	08838
	54822	08839
	54823	09212
	54824	09214
	54825	08832
	54826	08835
	54827	08834
	55825	06769
55827	06775	
55828	06776	
56805	06078	
56809	06738	
56816	06730	
56819	06756	
56820	06731	
56821	06755	
56822	06759	
71804	08810	
74807	08816	

- 5.2 During the month of February 1988 data in the DRIBU code were entered into the GTS through the Argos Local Users Terminal (LUT) in Edmonton from the following platforms:

<u>Operating country</u>	<u>WMO Identifier/call sign</u>	<u>Argos Identifier</u>
Canada	25521	07001
	25522	07002
	25523	07004
	25524	07006
	25525	07007
	46683	05317
	46688	05223
	46691	05321
	48540	03831
	48547	07026
	48551	07427

Note

Members operating Argos Local Users Terminals (LUTs) are invited to submit to the Secretariat by telex, the list of platforms entering reports into the GTS through their LUTs, effective on or around the 20th of each month.

6. Feed-back from Members to the Secretariat on any changes in the observing network

In view of the difficulties experienced at present in identifying non-implemented observing stations or implemented stations which are closed or suspended for a certain period, or stations making observations but not reaching their NMCs, the ninth session of the CBS Advisory Working Group recommended that a special table be added to the WWV monthly operational letter to serve as feed-back from Members to the Secretariat on any changes of the present state of implementation of observing programmes of SYNOP, TEMP and PILOT reporting stations.

The special table, accompanied by explanatory notes overleaf, is attached as an appendix to this annex. Members are urged to fill in this appendix, as and when appropriate, and to return it to the Secretariat before the 1st of each month to enable changes to be included in the next monthly letter.