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To Administrations of Member States of ITU

Subject: List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations (List IV)
First (1st) edition, October/November 2011

References: Article 20 of the Radio Regulations
Resolution 355 (WRC-07) of the Radio Regulations

To the Director-General

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The World Radiocommunication Conference 2007 (WRC-07) decided to merge the List of Coast Stations (List IV) and the List of Radiodetermination and Special Service Stations (List VI) into a new ITU Service publication entitled "List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations" (List IV).
2. WRC-07 also invited ITU-R, through Resolution 355 (WRC-07), to conduct studies in view of developing, inter alia, a functional new List IV, with the purpose of enhancing safety of life at sea.
3. Those studies were successfully completed during the meeting of ITU-R Working Party 5B (23 November - 4 December 2009) and the conclusions are described in Annex 27 to Working Party 5B Chairman's Report dated 14 January 2010.
4. Based on the conclusions, the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR) has carried out all the necessary modifications to the ITU maritime database and developed the relevant software as well as the various desktop publication templates necessary for the production of the new "List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations" (List IV).
5. It should be noted that the first (1st) edition of the new List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations (List IV) will be issued in **October/November 2011** and thereafter, this List will be issued every two years.
6. In order to ensure that this List contains the most up-to-date and accurate information, administrations are invited to notify information, for inclusion into the new List IV, before **15 August 2011**.

7. All the relevant notification forms can be found under the heading “Information related to the submission of data” on the ITU MARS webpage: <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/mars> or are available upon request to the BR.

8. In order to assist administrations, please be advised that the BR, upon a formal request, can provide all your data that was previously notified and published in the List of Coast Stations (List IV) and List of Radiodetermination and Special Service Stations (List VI).

9. Please also note that, even if no changes are to be made to previously notified stations, administrations are invited to re-confirm their inclusion in the new List IV. If no confirmation is received by the Bureau, before **15 August 2011**, the unconfirmed data will not be included in the new List IV and will be removed from the ITU MARS database and its associated webpage (provision 20.16B of the RR).

10. Furthermore, as all updates, between two editions, will be available through the ITU MARS webpage <http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/mars> (no supplements will be published), administrations are invited to notify all amendments to the BR on a regular basis. In this context, your attention is drawn to No. 20.16 of the RR, which states that:

“Administrations shall take all appropriate measures to notify the Radiocommunication Bureau immediately of any changes in the operational information contained in Lists IV and V, in view of the importance of this information, particularly with regard to safety. In the case of the data published in List V, which is also made available online through MARS, administrations shall communicate those changes at least once a month. In the case of other publications, administrations shall communicate the changes in the information contained in them as soon as possible.”

11. Finally, the Bureau remains at the disposal of administrations for any further information and clarifications that may be needed in respect to these matters. The Bureau’s contact person for these matters is Mr. A.M. DAS, telephone: +41 22 730 5007, fax: +41 22 730 5785, e-mail: brmail@itu.int.

Yours faithfully,

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