NOTE

Adoption of the Metric System and Celsius Scale

The Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission,

Noting that international adoption of the Metric System and Celsius Scale should be one of the major keys of promoting marine sciences,

Considering that the use of the Metric System was recommended by the Working Group on Data Exchange held in Washington from 7 to 10 August, 1962, (Ref: NS/IOC/2-5(c));

Noting further that data are to be submitted to the World Data Centres in the Metric System and Celsius Scale.

Bearing in mind that for purposes of international exchanges of meteorological data, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has already adopted the said system at its 3rd Congress,

Recommends that member countries of IOC take the necessary steps to encourage, as far as possible, the use of the Metric System and Celsius Scale in their oceanographic publications.