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**To:** Members, Associate Members and the IHO Secretariat of the Southern  
African and Islands Hydrographic Commission (SAIHC)

**Subject:** Appointment of SAIHC S100 Coordinator

Dear SAIHC Members

Further to SAIHC Circular Letter 01/2024 requesting SAIHC Members to declare their interest in the newly established S100 Coordinator role for the region. I am delighted to confirm that Commander Ankush SACHDEVA, Officer in Charge of the Mauritius Hydrographic Service, has been duly appointed as the Southern African and Islands Hydrographic Commission S100 Coordinator.

As per the SAIHC Statutes, Commander Sachdeva's appointment will be voted on for formal approval by the SAIHC Members and Associate Members during SAIHC20 in September 2024.

I am sure you will all join me in congratulating Commander Sachdeva for his success in gaining the S100 Coordinator position, SAIHC is very fortunate to have such experience within the role.

Yours sincerely

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