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CONSOLIDATED CGMS REPORT - STATUS AND WAY FORWARD

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The paper proposes the compilation of a 35-year report (rather than 30 years) and a proposed schedule for the implementation.

Action proposed:

To agree to a consolidated report covering 35 years and to agree on the proposed implementation and schedule.



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1 INTRODUCTION

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2 CGMS consolidated report - time span

2.1 Extend the period covered to 35 years (1972-2007)

The Secretariat has prepared an initial draft of "CGMS the first 30 years, 1972-2002" to be reviewed and complemented by the other CGMS Members. However, considering that it is 35 years ago that CGMS was created, the Secretariat feels that it would be more appropriate to create a report covering the first 35 years, i.e. for the period 1972-2007.

2.2 Proposed way forward

The Members to review the whole document and amend those sections relevant to their organisation including any other inconsistencies as necessary. If agreed to cover a 35-year period, include the relevant text for the last five years. Thereafter provide it to the Secretariat by end of 2007.

The Secretariat to consolidate and edit the report and send it for final review and approval by to the Members by end January 2008 to allow for publication by the end of the first quarter 2008.

The report would thereafter be published on the Secretariat's dedicated pages on CGMS publications, and also distributed electronically via the CGMS plenary e-mail list server.

2.3 Points of contact

Members are invited to update the list of points of contact in Annex 1 as necessary.

2.4 Long term perspective

Rather than having an update every 4-5 years of this document, the Secretariat would like to propose to freeze this as a one-off document, and thereafter it will be complemented with the annual meeting report, which will continue to be published on the Secretariat's web site.

3 CONCLUSIONS

CGMS Members are invited to consider the report to cover a 35-year period, be of a one-off nature, agree to the schedule and way forward, and to amend the list of points of contact as necessary.



ANNEX 1

CGMS points of contact for the CGMS consolidated report as defined at CGMS-34 or following correspondence by e-mail.

CNES	Didier Renaut
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NOAA	Daniel Muller
Roscosmos	Victor Saulskiy
Roshydromet	Oleg Milekhin
WMO	Don Hinsman, Jerome Lafeuille