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Subject: Appointment of a Tsunami Programme Specialist as Technical Secretary of ICG/PTWS and ICG/CARIBE EWS

I am pleased to inform you that the recruitment process for the Technical Secretary of both the IOC's Intergovernmental Coordination Group for Tsunami Warning and Mitigation Systems in the Pacific Ocean (ICG/PTWS) and the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions (ICG/CARIBE EWS) has been completed. After a thorough review, Dr Öcal Necmioğlu from Türkiye has been selected to fill this position as of 1st September 2023.

Dr Necmioğlu is known to the tsunami community for his active engagement, since 2009, in the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Tsunami Early Warning and Mitigation System in the North-East Atlantic, the Mediterranean and Connected Seas (ICG/NEAMTWS), as co-ordinator of the Tsunami Warning Group (2009–2021) and National Tsunami Contact for Türkiye (2012–2021), as part of his duties at the Boğaziçi University—Kandilli Observatory and Earthquake Research Institute Regional Earthquake and Tsunami Monitoring Centre (KOERI/TSP) in Türkiye. He has made substantial contributions to the ICG/NEAMTWS Programme as member/co-chair of various Task Teams/Working Groups on NEAMTWS Architecture, Tsunami Communication Exercises, Operations and Public Awareness, Preparedness and Mitigation. Between 2021 and 2023, he worked at the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Ispra, Italy, as a scientific project officer with responsibilities linked to the Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System (GDACS), the European Crisis Management Laboratory (ECML), and UNESCO-IOC's tsunami programme.

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On behalf of the IOC of UNESCO, please join me in greeting Dr Öcal Necmioğlu and wishing him every success in his work for the IOC, its Tsunami Resilience Section, and, in particular, the strengthening of the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System and the Tsunami and other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions.

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

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