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AGENDA ITEM 9

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**CHANGE OF THE FREQUENCY OF PUBLICATION  
OF THE  
TYPHOON COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER**

*(Item 9 of Provisional Agenda - Publications)*

*Submitted by TCS*

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**Summary and Purpose of Document:**

This document summarizes the steps taken by TCS to implement the decision of the Committee at its 43<sup>rd</sup> Session requesting the AWG, *in consultation with TCS, study the possibility change the Newsletter to be published twice a year and report to the 44th Session.*

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Action Proposed

The Committee is invited to:

Discuss on the change of frequency of the publication of the Newsletter (twice a year)

## **1. Background Information**

### **Newsletter**

- a) The TC Newsletter started to be published in 1989, once a year, following a recommendation of the TC at its 21<sup>st</sup> Session, in Kuala Lumpur, 22-28 November 1988.
  - b) The Newsletter has been published in paper since 1989 up to now. It also has been published in CD-ROM since 2003.
2. Following the decision contained in the Paragraph 140 f. of the Report of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Session, ***“In consultation with TCS, study the possibility the discontinuation of the TCAR and change the Newsletter to be published twice a year and report to the 44th Session”***, the Committee is invited to discuss the change of the Newsletter to be published twice a year, and decide in conformity.

## **3. Consultation with AWG members and TC Members**

In June the TCS requested the AWG their opinion on these matters. The answers can be summarized as follows: it would be enough to publish the Newsletter once a year (before TC annual session for Members' pre-information).

## **4. Consultation with the Members**

In June 30 the Circular Letter with the reference TCS/204-2011 was sent to the Directors and Focal Points of the three components inviting them to express their comments and suggestions on the discontinuation of the TCAR and on the change of the frequency of publication of the Newsletter. Four replies were received - 3 once per year; 1 twice per year.

5. **The Committee is invited to discuss and decide on the change of the frequency of publication of the newsletter (once or twice a year)**

## ANNEX

	TCAR		NEWSLETTER	
<b>AWG</b>				
EDWIN (TRCG Chair)	Discontinuation		No comments on publishing frequency	Fri 2011-06-17 03:10 PM
Masashi Kunitsugu	Discontinuation		Once per year (just before the Sessions)	Message 2011-06-21 05:06 PM
<b>MEMBERS</b>				
Malaysia	Discontinuation		Twice per year	Letter from MMD 5 July 2011
Singapore	Discontinuation		Once per year	Message 2011-07-03 08:11 PM
Honk Kong, China	Discontinuation		Once per year	Message 2011-07-12 07:21 PM
Thailand	Discontinuation		Once per year	Message July 19, 2011 12:10 PM

**NOTE:**

TCAR 6 replies (discontinuation of TCAR)

Newsletter: 5 replies (4 once per year; 1 twice per year)