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**AGENDA ITEM 11: REVIEW OF PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS, DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM 11.1:** **Review of resolutions and recommendations of the previous commission structure**

# rEVIEW OF RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF tHE PREVIOUS COMMISSION STRUCTURE



**GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Introduction: consideration of the reports of previous technical commissions by Congress or the Executive Council

1. The eighteenth session of the World Meteorological Congress (Cg-18, 2019), which established the Services and Infrastructure Commissions through [Resolution 7 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=41) - Establishment of WMO Technical Commissions for the Eighteenth Financial Period, also took note of the reports of the sixteenth session of the Commission for Aeronautical Meteorology (CAeM-16) ([Resolution 27 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=107)), seventeenth session of the Commission for Agricultural Meteorology (CAgM-17) ([Resolution 18 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=87)), seventeenth session of the Commission for Climatology (CCl-17) ([Resolution 20 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=90)), extraordinary session of the Commission for Hydrology (CHy-Ext(2019)) ([Resolution 24 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=98)) and seventeenth session of the Commission for Instruments and Methods of Observation (CIMO-17) ([Resolution 43 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=149)), including the resolutions adopted at these sessions and the previous resolutions confirmed to be kept in force. Recommendations from the seventeenth session of the Commission from Atmospheric Sciences (CAS-17) were considered through individual resolutions.

2. Previously, the seventieth session of the Executive Council (EC-70, 2018) had considered the report of the fifth session of the Joint WMO-IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology (JCOMM-5) ([Resolution 10 (EC-70)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=4981#page=35)), as well as the recommendations of CCl ([Resolution 5 (EC-70)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=4981#page=20)) and CAgM-17 ([Resolution 14 (EC-70)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=4981#page=40)). Recommendations from the sixteenth session of the Commission from Basic Systems (CBS-16) were considered through individual resolutions.

The Transition Team established by Congress and the transferring of functions and activities from the previous to the new technical commissions

3. Congress, through [Resolution 7 (Cg-18)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=9827/#page=41), entrusted a Transition Team[[1]](#footnote-2) to ensure, inter alia, the orderly transition of normative functions of the technical commissions active during the seventeenth financial period and effective incorporation of their work and deliverables relevant to the priorities of the Strategic Plan into the new structures, however, without clarifying the status of the resolutions of the previous commissions still in force. The sanitary emergency caused by COVID-19 eventually impeded the completion of such detailed task by the Transition Team, also in light of the urgency to activate the new commissions and their substructures and develop and implement their work programme based on the Strategic Plan 2020–2023 and subsequent directives of Congress and the Executive Council.

The guidance from the Executive Council

4. The Executive Council, through [Resolution 8 (EC-75)](https://meetings.wmo.int/EC-75/_layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/EC-75/English/2.%20PROVISIONAL%20REPORT%20(Approved%20documents)/EC-75-d08-REVIEW-OF-PAST-RESOLUTIONS-approved_en.docx&action=default) - Review of previous resolutions and decisions of the Executive Council, requested the technical commissions to undertake a review and consolidation of the resolutions of past technical commissions together with the regular review of their resolutions and decisions in force and report on progress to EC‑76.

Declaring the resolutions and recommendations of the previous technical commissions no longer in force

5. In response to the Executive Council’s request to the Commission to act on the resolutions of previous commissions relevant to it, document [SERCOM-2/INF. 11.1](https://meetings.wmo.int/SERCOM-2/InformationDocuments/Forms/AllItems.aspx), prepared by the Management Group of the Services Commission jointly with the Management Group of the Infrastructure Commission:

(a) Lists the resolutions and recommendations adopted by the last sessions of the previous commission structures, including past resolutions and recommendations kept in force, relevant to the present technical commissions;

(b) Identifies the resolutions fully implemented or superseded and the recommendations accepted;

(c) Identifies the resolutions fully or in part incorporated in a SERCOM or INFCOM instrument, or in an instrument of another WMO body;

(d) Identifies the resolutions that remain to be addressed, if any, including through incorporating their relevant content into consolidated resolutions of Congress to be considered at the nineteenth session (Cg-19).

6. Based on the above, this document provides a draft Recommendation to Congress through the Executive Council, to be agreed upon by a decision of INFCOM, declaring all the resolutions and recommendations from the previous commissions no longer in force.

Expected action

7. The Commission is invited to adopt Draft Recommendation 11.1/1 (SERCOM-2).

**DRAFT RECOMMENDATION**

## Draft Recommendation 11.1/1 (SERCOM-2)

### Review of resolutions and recommendations of the previous commission structure

THE COMMISSION FOR WEATHER, CLIMATE, WATER AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND APPLICATIONS,

**Recalling** [Resolution 8 (EC-75)](https://meetings.wmo.int/EC-75/_layouts/15/WopiFrame.aspx?sourcedoc=/EC-75/English/2.%20PROVISIONAL%20REPORT%20(Approved%20documents)/EC-75-d08-REVIEW-OF-PAST-RESOLUTIONS-approved_en.docx&action=default) – Review of previous resolutions and decisions of the Executive Council,

**Having examined** document [SERCOM-2/Doc. 11.1](#Doc11) and [SERCOM-2/INF. 11.1](https://meetings.wmo.int/SERCOM-2/InformationDocuments/Forms/AllItems.aspx),

**Considering** that all the resolutions and recommendations of the technical commissions active during the seventeenth financial period that were in force at the establishment of the technical commissions for the eighteenth financial period have been implemented or reflected in the work programmes of the present commissions,

**Recommends** to the Executive Council to submit, throughthe draft Recommendation provided in the [annex](#_Annex_to_draft_1) to the present Recommendation, a Recommendation to Congress to declare the resolutions and recommendations of the technical commissions active during the seventeenth financial period no longer in force;

**Invites** the Commission for Observation, Infrastructure and Information Systems (INFCOM) to agree to the present Recommendation;

**Authorizes** the president, in consultation with the president of INFCOM, to amend the draft Recommendation based on its consideration by INFCOM and submit it to the Executive Council.

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See [SERCOM-2/INF. 11.1](https://meetings.wmo.int/SERCOM-2/InformationDocuments/Forms/AllItems.aspx) for more information.

[Annex: 1](#Annex_to_draft_Recommendation)

## Annex to draft Recommendation 11.1/1 (SERCOM-2)

**Draft Recommendation ##/1 (EC-76)**

**Declaring the resolution and recommendations of the past commission structure  
no longer in force**

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL,

**Having examined** Recommendation 11.1/1 (SERCOM-2) and Decision 7.6/1 (INFCOM-2),

**Having agreed** Recommendation 11.1/1 (SERCOM-2),

**Considering** that all the resolutions and recommendations of the technical commissions active during the seventeenth financial period that were in force at the establishment of the technical commissions for the eighteenth financial period have been implemented or reflected in the work programmes of the present commissions,

**Recommends** to the World Meteorological Congress to declare the resolutions and recommendations of the technical commissions active during the seventeenth financial period no longer in force.

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See EC-76/INF. xx for more information. [= SERCOM-2/INF. 11.1]

1. The Transition Team was composed of the presidents and vice-presidents of existing and new technical commissions, the chairs and vice-chairs of the Research Board and the Hydrological Assembly and the presidents of regional associations, chaired by the presidents of the new commissions and the Chair of the Research Board. The Transition Team held a single meeting in Geneva on 27–29 November 2019. The report and recommendations of the Transition Team were considered by INFCOM-1 and SERCOM-1 to prepare their first work programme. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)