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Annexes: 4 (annexes 2, 3 and 4

available in English only)

Subject

: Level II-C Surface Water Runoff Data Set

Action required: The completed table to be returned to the WMO Secretariat

before 31 October 1982

Dear Sir/Madam,

Within the First Global GARP Experiment (FGGE) activities, WMO has been entrusted to collect surface runoff (river discharge) data sets to be used as inputs to or validation of global atmospheric circulation modelling studies being carried out within FGGE. In accordance with the operations plan for the preparation of the Level II-C Surface Water Runoff Data Set (considered at the sixth session of the WMO EC Inter-Government Panel's Working Group on the FGGE Data Management in December 1981 and approved by the Joint Scientific Committee, in March 1982), runoff data are now required to be collected for the period 1 January 1978 to 31 December 1980. It is foreseen that such data will be necessary also for the World Climate Programme which includes research and studies on global climate modelling. The compilation of this data set will benefit the entire international meteorological and hydrological community.

An initial step in carrying out this task consists in the selection of a number of hydrometric stations in each country and provision of daily flow data for them for the three-year period indicated above.

Details on the criteria for selection of the stations and a list of proposed stations in your country are contained in Annex 1. Instructions for data preparation, sample formats, and quality control procedures are given in Annexes 2, 3 and 4 (available in English only).

To Permanent Representatives of Members of WMO (limited distribution)

 I would be most grateful if you could return the duly completed table(s) along with the data for 1978, 1979 and 1980 before 31 October 1982 to:

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I greatly appreciate your co-operation on this matter.

Yours faithfully,

for (A. C. Wiin-Nielsen)
Secretary-General