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**To:** African Directors, Director Generals of National Meteorological and Hydrological Services, Permanent Representative of countries with WMO

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**Subject:** Invitation to attend side events at the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change (COP 27), November 7-18 in Sharm El Sheikh- Egypt

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite you to the series of events to be organized by the African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development (ACMAD) at COP 27.

As you will recall, the United Nations Secretary General in his World Meteorological Day Message on March 23, 2022, announced that the United Nations will spearhead new action to ensure every person on Earth is protected by early warning systems within five years. The observed significant increase in impacts, severity and/or frequency of disasters is exacerbated by climate change.

National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) are at the hearth of required multi-hazard early warning and action systems, adaptation and mitigation actions supporting disaster risk management, resilience and adaptation to climate change.

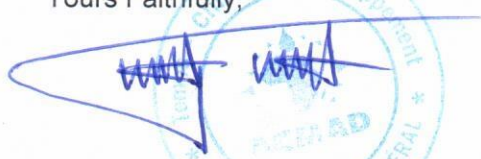
Therefore, ACMAD and partners will organize side events, dialogues, exhibitions and high-level events to discuss achievements, challenges, good practices and opportunities for climate services delivery and applications to combat climate change in Africa.

The events will seek to strengthen interface between NMHSs and the climate negotiators from African countries highlighting the pivotal role of meteorological services to address the climate crisis.

ACMAD and partners will provide financial support which will include travel cost and per diem to the participants in the attached distribution list.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to you and your institution for continued effort to combat climate change for sustainable development in Africa.

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andre KAMGA FOAMOUHOUE', is written over a circular official stamp. The stamp contains the text 'Centre Africain pour les Applications de la Météorologie au Développement' and 'ACMAD'.

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