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Vladimir Maksimov - vive ut vivas

On behalf of the International Hydrographic Organization's World-Wide Navigation Warning Service Sub-Committee:

It was with great sadness that we received the news of Vladimir's illness and eventual loss of his battle. He will always be remembered as a huge presence within the World-Wide Navigation Warning Service community, not only for his jovial approach to life and his desire that those around him should be doing the same and living life to the full; also for his depth and breadth of his subject knowledge. His contribution throughout the establishment and expansion of the World-Wide Navigation Warning Service and the provision of Maritime Safety Information to the maritime community is unlikely to be equalled. He always provided measured and thoughtful advice and guidance, which always put the mariner at the forefront of his considerations. He has been a friend and colleague for longer than we care to remember; his passing has left a huge void in our community and no meeting will ever be the same.

We thank him for his support to our shared initiatives. His energy and commitment to our work was nothing short of outstanding and it can only be outweighed by the longstanding professional friendship he shared with many of his World-Wide Navigation Warning Service colleagues. We are forever gratefully for his unwavering support and he will never be forgotten by those who were fortunate enough to have known him; he will be greatly missed by us all.

Travel safe friend.