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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA; REPORT ON CREDENTIALS

Annotations to the provisional agenda

Note by the Secretariat*

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document provides information on actions the Committee will be invited to take in relation to items on its agenda for the eightieth session
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	As explained under each agenda item
<i>Related documents:</i>	Decisions of the Council and reports of sub-committees and other documents as specified in the text

1 Adoption of the agenda; report on credentials

MSC 80/1
MSC 80/1/1

Secretariat
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The Committee will be invited to consider and adopt the provisional agenda (MSC 80/1). A provisional timetable intended to serve as a guide for the conduct of the session is set out in the annex and indicates the working and drafting groups, which are expected to be established. **It is the intention of the Chairman that, irrespective of progress made on the day(s) before, the Committee should start work on 13 and 16 May 2005 by considering the reports of the sub-committees programmed for those days.**

Agenda item 3 (Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments) will be taken up by expanded sessions of the Committee in which States, which are not IMO Members but are Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention, are also invited to participate. A drafting group is expected to be established to finalize the text of such amendments.

* Documents should be received by the Secretariat by 14 January 2005 (on new work programme items); by 4 February 2005 (if bulky); by 4 March 2005 (non-bulky documents); and by 18 March 2005 (documents of no more than 4 pages commenting on those received by 14 January 2005 and by 4 February 2005).

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Member Governments and Contracting Governments to SOLAS 74 wishing to participate should arrange for the submission of the credentials of their representatives not later than the opening day of the session. The Secretary-General will report on the credentials during the session.

2 Decisions of other IMO bodies

MSC 80/2* Secretariat

The Committee will be informed of any safety-related decisions of the ninetieth session of the Legal Committee (MSC 80/2) and take action as appropriate.

3 Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments

Amendments to SOLAS 74

(All Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention are invited to participate)

MSC 80/3	Italy
MSC 80/3/1	Italy
MSC 80/3/2	Italy
MSC 80/3/3	United States
MSC 80/3/4*	Secretariat
MSC 80/3/5*	Working Group on Subdivision and Damage Stability

The expanded Committee will be invited to consider, for adoption, draft amendments to chapters II-1, V, XI-1 and XI-2 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended.

The proposed amendments to chapters II-1, V, XI-1, approved by MSC 78 and MSC 79, as well as the amendment prepared by the United Kingdom are contained in document MSC 80/3/4 (annex 1); and the amendments to SOLAS chapter XI-2 proposed by the United States are contained in document MSC 80/3/3. They have been circulated, in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, by Circular letters No.2556 of 28 May 2004 (annex 1, paragraphs 9 to 11), No.2589 of 15 October 2004 (annex 1), No.2592 of 28 October 2004 (annex 1) and No.2595 of 10 November 2004 (annex 1).

With regard to the proposed amendments to SOLAS chapter II-1, the expanded Committee will consider the outcome of the intersessional meeting of the Working Group on Subdivision and Damage Stability (document MSC 80/3/5).

Amendments to the ISM Code

(All Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention are invited to participate)

MSC 80/3/4* Secretariat

* To be issued in due course.

The expanded Committee will be invited to consider, for adoption, draft amendments to the ISM Code. The proposed amendments, approved by MSC 78, are contained in document MSC 80/3/4 (annex 2) and have been circulated, in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, by Circular letter No.2556 of 28 May 2004 (annex 8, except for paragraphs 2 and 4 of that annex). They were deferred by MSC 79 to this session for adoption.

Amendments to the ISPS Code

(All Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention are invited to participate)

MSC 80/3/4*

Secretariat

The expanded Committee will be invited to consider, for adoption, draft amendments to the ISPS Code. The proposed amendments, approved by MSC 78, are contained in document MSC 80/3/4 (annex 3) and have been circulated, in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, by Circular letter No.2556 of 28 May 2004 (annex 9). They were deferred by MSC 79 to this session for adoption.

Amendments to the Guidelines on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers (resolution A.744(18)), as amended

(All Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention are invited to participate)

MSC 80/3/4*

Secretariat

The expanded Committee will be invited to consider, for adoption, draft amendments to the Guidelines. The proposed amendments, approved by MSC 79, are contained in document MSC 80/3/4 (annex 4) and have been circulated, in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, by Circular letter No.2584 of 23 September 2004 (annex 2).

Other procedures for acceptance of amendments to the 1966 Load Lines Convention

MSC 80/3/6*

Chairman

The Committee will be invited to consider document MSC 80/3/6, regarding other procedures for acceptance of proposed amendments to the 1966 Load Lines Convention.

4 Passenger ship safety

MSC 80/4*

Secretariat

MSC 80/4/1*

Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to:

- .1 consider the outcome of the sub-committees, which met in the interim and had been tasked with the consideration of various aspects of passenger ship safety (MSC 80/4);

* To be issued in due course.

- .2 consider information on the co-ordinating role of the WMU in a search and rescue research project for passenger ships and on cost implications of such co-ordinating work (MSC 80/4/1); and
- .3 consider any submissions made under this agenda item,

and will establish, as decided at MSC 79, a drafting group on passenger ship safety, if required.

5 Measures to enhance maritime security

MSC 80/5*	Secretariat
MSC 80/5/1*	Correspondence group

The Committee will be invited to:

- .1 consider the outcome of the sub-committees, which met in the interim and had been tasked with the consideration of various aspects of maritime security (MSC 80/5);
- .2 consider the report of the correspondence group (MSC 80/5/1); and
- .3 consider any submissions made under this agenda item,

and will re-establish, as decided at MSC 79, the *ad hoc* Working Group on Maritime Security to advise on any relevant matters.

6 Goal-based new ship construction standards

MSC 80/6	Working Group on Goal-Based Standards
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The Committee will be invited to further consider matters regarding goal-based new ship construction standards and any relevant submissions by Governments and international organizations concerned, taking into account the outcome of the Working Group on Goal-based New Ship Construction Standards (MSC 80/6), and will re-establish, as decided at MSC 79, the *ad hoc* working group to advise on any relevant matters.

7 Formal safety assessment

MSC 80/7*	Correspondence group
MSC 80/7/1*	Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 the report of the Correspondence Group on Formal Safety Assessment (MSC 80/7);

* To be issued in due course.

- .2 the basic document, prepared by the Secretariat for the establishment of a group of experts on FSA, including participation, funding and terms of reference (MSC 80/7/1); and
- .3 any relevant submissions by Governments and international organizations,

and will establish, as decided at MSC 79, the *ad hoc* Working Group on Formal Safety Assessment to advise on any relevant matters.

8 Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme

MSC 80/8* Joint MSC/MEPC/TCC Working Group on the Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme

As requested by the Council, the Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 the report of the third session of the Joint MSC/MEPC/TCC Working Group on the Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme (MSC 80/8); and
- .2 any relevant submissions by Governments and international organizations.

9 Stability, load lines and fishing vessel safety

MSC 80/9 Secretariat
SLF 47/17 Sub-Committee

The Committee will be invited to consider matters emanating from the Sub-Committee's forty-seventh session not considered by MSC 79 and take action as will be indicated in document MSC 80/9. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

10 Dangerous goods, solid cargoes and containers

MSC 80/10 Secretariat
DSC 9/15 Sub-Committee

The Committee will be invited to consider matters emanating from the Sub-Committee's ninth session not considered by MSC 79 and take action as will be indicated in document MSC 80/10. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

11 Training and watchkeeping

MSC 80/11* Secretariat
MSC 80/11/1* Secretariat
STW 36/17 Sub-Committee

* To be issued in due course.

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the thirty-sixth session of the Sub-Committee and take action as will be indicated in paragraph 2 of document MSC 80/11. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

The Committee is also expected to receive the Secretary-General's report called for by STCW regulation I/7, paragraph 2, on those STCW Parties whose evaluations have been completed; and will be invited to identify Parties found to be giving full and complete effect to the provisions of the revised Convention; and to take any subsequent appropriate action. The Committee will further receive the Secretary-General's report for the STCW Parties who have communicated their report of independent evaluation pursuant to STCW regulation I/8, paragraph 3 and to take any subsequent appropriate action.

The Committee will further be invited to consider for approval any new competent persons nominated by Governments (MSC 80/11/1) and take appropriate action.

12 Fire protection

MSC 80/12*	Secretariat
FP 49/17	Sub-Committee

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the forty-ninth session of the Sub-Committee and take action as will be indicated in paragraph 2 of document MSC 80/12. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

13 Radiocommunications and search and rescue

MSC 80/13*	Secretariat
COMSAR 9/19	Sub-Committee

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the ninth session of the Sub-Committee and take action as will be indicated in paragraph 2 of document MSC 80/13. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

14 Ship design and equipment

MSC 80/14*	Secretariat
DE 48/25	Sub-Committee

The Committee will be invited to consider urgent matters emanating from the forty-eighth session of the Sub-Committee and take action as will be indicated in document MSC 80/14. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

15 Flag State implementation

MSC 80/15*	Secretariat
FSI 13/23	Sub-Committee

* To be issued in due course.

The Committee will be invited to consider urgent matters emanating from the thirteenth session of the Sub-Committee and take action as will be indicated in document MSC 80/15. Action in respect of the Sub-Committee's work programme will be taken under agenda item 21.

16 Technical assistance sub-programme in maritime safety and security

MSC 80/16*	Secretariat
MSC 80/16/1*	Secretariat

The Committee will be informed of:

- .1 developments concerning safety- and security-related technical co-operation activities of the Organization's Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme and any relevant future projects planned (MSC 80/16); and
- .2 developments in the IMO model course programme (MSC 80/16/1),

and any other TC-related matters the Secretariat will bring to its attention, and will be invited to take action as appropriate.

17 Piracy and armed robbery against ships

MSC 80/17*	Secretariat
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Pursuant to the Committee's decisions at its sixty-fifth and sixty-sixth sessions, reports on piracy and armed robbery against ships received thereafter are circulated as MSC circulars on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis. Based on such reports, the Committee will be invited to consider reports (MSC 80/17) on acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships reported to the Organization for the year 2004, together with a regional analysis and such other relevant information as may be provided, including information on action taken by coastal States; and to take action as appropriate.

The Committee will further be invited to consider developments, if any, concerning technical assistance provided to countries under the Organization's anti-piracy project.

18 Implementation of instruments and related matters

MSC 80/18*	Secretariat
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The Committee will be invited to note information to be provided by the Secretariat on the status of conventions and other mandatory safety- and security-related instruments and take appropriate action on any relevant issues which may be brought to its attention.

19 Relations with other organizations

MSC 80/19*	Secretariat
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The Committee will be invited to consider applications for granting consultative status to interested international non-governmental organizations.

Information on matters of significance concerning relations with other organizations, which are relevant to the work of the Committee, will be provided by the Secretariat.

20 Application of the Committee's Guidelines

MSC 80/20*

Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 the report of the 2005 Chairmen's meeting, scheduled to take place on 14 May 2005, including the outcome of its consideration of the sub-committees' draft terms of reference (MSC 80/20); and
- .2 any submissions by Governments made under this agenda item,

and take appropriate action.

21 Work programme

MSC 80/21* and Add.1*

Secretariat

MSC 80/21/1

Denmark

MSC 80/21/2

IHO and Greece

MSC 80/21/3

Norway

MSC 80/21/4

Norway

MSC 80/21/5

Japan

MSC 80/21/6

United Kingdom

MSC 80/21/7

United Kingdom

MSC 80/21/8

Norway

MSC 80/21/9

India and Vanuatu

MSC 80/21/10*

Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 the work programmes of the sub-committees and provisional agendas for their forthcoming sessions, on the basis of recommendations and proposals made by the sub-committees (MSC 80/21 and Add.1), Governments and international organizations;
- .2 as requested by the Council at its ninety-third session, the draft high-level action plan prepared by the Council's Working Group on the Organization's Strategic Plan (MSC 80/21/9), with a view to amending or adding, as necessary, high-level actions to address the anticipated activities of the Committee over the remaining period of the Strategic Plan (to the end of 2009) in line with the Organization's strategic directions for the period 2006 to 2010 as set out in resolution A.944(23); and the draft outcome-based priorities for the Committee for the 2006-2007 biennium, with a view to identifying all of the Committee's anticipated outputs over that period; and
- .3 the approval of such intersessional meetings as may be proposed,

and will be informed of the date of its next session.

* To be issued in due course.

22 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2006

The Committee will be invited to elect its Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2006.

23 Any other business

MSC 80/23*	Secretariat
MSC 80/23/1*	Secretariat
MSC 80/23/2*	Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 an interim report on activities of the Expert Group on Impact of the ISM Code (MSC 80/23);
- .2 the revised text of the International Health Regulations (MSC 80/23/1); and
- .3 a study on cost implications of providing data associated with the list of substances subject to MARPOL Annex II, which will also include estimated costs for further development of the structure of the database and the management of the data (MSC 80/23/2),

and take action as appropriate.

The Committee will also be invited to consider any submissions which may be made under this agenda item and take appropriate action.

ANNEX

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Date	Item	Working and drafting groups *
Wednesday, 11 May	Opening of the session 1 Agenda; credentials 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies 6 Goal-based new ship construction standards 5 Measures to enhance maritime security 7 Formal safety assessment 4 Passenger ship safety	WG1 WG2 WG3 DG2
Thursday, 12 May	3 Amendments to mandatory instruments 21 Work programme (New work programme items only)	DG1 WGs and DGs
Friday, 13 May	9 Stability, load lines and fishing vessel safety 10 Dangerous goods, solid cargoes and containers 12 Fire protection 14 Ship design and equipment	WGs and DGs
Monday, 16 May	11 Training and watchkeeping 13 Radiocommunications and search and rescue 15 Flag State implementation 8 Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme	WGs and DGs
Tuesday, 17 May	16 Technical assistance 17 Piracy and armed robbery against ships 18 Implementation of instruments and related matters 19 Relations with other organizations	WGs and DGs
Wednesday, 18 May	20 Application of the Committee's Guidelines 23 Any other business	WGs and DGs
Thursday, 19 May	22 Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2006 - Reports of working and drafting groups - Adoption of amendments 21 Work programme (Remaining part of item)	
Friday, 20 May	24 Report of the Committee on its 80th session	

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- * WG1 Working Group on Goal-based New Ship Construction Standards
 WG2 Working Group on Maritime Security
 WG3 Working Group on Formal Safety Assessment
 DG1 Drafting Group on Amendments to Mandatory Instruments
 DG2 Drafting Group on Passenger Ship Safety