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CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO MANDATORY INSTRUMENTS

Amendments to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	The Committee is invited to consider, with a view to adoption, the proposed amendments to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol. The proposed amendments were approved by MSC 83 and circulated under cover of circular letter No.2817 of 25 October 2007.
<i>Strategic direction:</i>	5
<i>High-level action:</i>	2.1.1 and 5.2.1
<i>Planned output:</i>	Not applicable
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 2
<i>Related documents:</i>	MSC 83/28/Add.3, annex 21; and circular letter No.2817 of 25 October 2007

1 The Committee will recall that, at its eighty-third session, it approved proposed amendments to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, as set out in the annex*, for consideration with a view to adoption at this session. The proposed amendments have been circulated to all IMO Members and Parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol under cover of circular letter No.2817 of 25 October 2007.

Action requested of the Committee

2 The Committee is invited to consider the proposed amendments for adoption in accordance with article VIII of the 1974 SOLAS Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol.

* Annex includes a draft MSC resolution on adoption of the proposed amendments, prepared by the Secretariat.

ANNEX**DRAFT RESOLUTION MSC.[...](84)
(adopted on [... May 2008])****ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO
THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING FURTHER article VIII(b) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974 (hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”) and article VI of the Protocol of 1988 relating to the Convention (hereinafter referred to as “the 1988 SOLAS Protocol”) concerning the procedure for amending the 1988 SOLAS Protocol,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its [eighty-fourth] session, amendments to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, amendments to the appendix to the Annex to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, that the said amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on [...], unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol or Parties the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;

3 INVITES the Parties concerned to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, the amendments shall enter into force on [...], upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in conformity with article VIII(b)(v) of the Convention and article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the Annex to all Parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol;

5 FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to transmit copies of this resolution and its Annex to Members of the Organization, which are not Parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol.

ANNEX

**DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO THE
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974,
AS AMENDED**

ANNEX

**MODIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE ANNEX TO THE INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974**

APPENDIX

**MODIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE APPENDIX TO THE ANNEX TO THE
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974**

Record of Equipment for Passenger Ship Safety Certificate (Form P)

1 In the Record of Equipment for Passenger Ship Safety Certificate (Form P), in section 2, the existing item 11.1 is replaced by the following:

- “11.1 Number of search and rescue locating devices
- 11.1.1 Radar search and rescue transponders (SART)
- 11.1.2 AIS search and rescue transmitters (AIS-SART)”

and in section 3, the existing item 6 is replaced by the following:

- “6 Ship’s search and rescue locating device
- 6.1 Radar search and rescue transponder (SART)
- 6.2 AIS search and rescue transmitter (AIS-SART)”

Record of Equipment for Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate (Form E)

2 In the Record of Equipment for Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate (Form E), in section 2, the existing item 9.1 is replaced by the following:

- “9.1 Number of search and rescue locating devices
- 9.1.1 Radar search and rescue transponders (SART)
- 9.1.2 AIS search and rescue transmitters (AIS-SART)”

Record of Equipment for Cargo Ship Radio Certificate (Form R)

3 In the Record of Equipment for Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate (Form R), in section 2, the existing item 6 is replaced by the following:

- “6 Ship’s search and rescue locating device
- 6.1 Radar search and rescue transponder (SART)
- 6.2 AIS search and rescue transmitter (AIS-SART)”

Record of Equipment for the Cargo Ship Safety Certificate (Form C)

4 In the Record of Equipment for Cargo Ship Safety Certificate (Form C), in section 2, the existing item 10.1 is replaced by the following:

- “10.1 Number of search and rescue locating devices
- 10.1.1 Radar search and rescue transponders (SART)
- 10.1.2 AIS search and rescue transmitters (AIS-SART)”

and in section 3, the existing item 6 is replaced by the following:

- “6 Ship’s search and rescue locating device
- 6.1 Radar search and rescue transponder (SART)
- 6.2 AIS search and rescue transmitter (AIS-SART)”
