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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the eighth session of the Sub-Committee
to be held remotely²
from Monday, 17 to Friday, 21 January 2022**

Session commences at 11 a.m. (UTC) on Monday, 17 January 2022

Opening of the session and election of the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2022

- 1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
- 3 Safety measures for non-SOLAS ships operating in polar waters (6.38)
- 4 Mandatory instrument and/or provisions addressing safety standards for the carriage of more than 12 industrial personnel on board vessels engaged on international voyages (2.4)
- 5 Development of Explanatory Notes to the Interim guidelines on second generation intact stability criteria (2.6)
- 6 Amendments to the 2011 ESP Code (6.22)
- 7 Mandatory application of the Performance standard for protective coatings for void spaces on bulk carriers and oil tankers (6.32)
- 8 Performance standard for protective coatings for void spaces on all types of ships (6.33)
- 9 Safety objectives and functional requirements of the Guidelines on alternative design and arrangements for SOLAS chapters II-1 and III (2.5)
- 10 Unified interpretation to provisions of IMO safety, security, and environment-related conventions (6.1)

¹ A new agenda item 14 on "Review of the Guidelines for the reduction of underwater noise (MEPC.1/Circ.833) and identification of next steps" was added, following the decision of MEPC 76 to include this as a new output in the 2022-23 biennial agenda of MEPC with SDC 8 as the coordinating organ.

² Refer to the decisions of ALCOM/ES (ALCOM/ES/5/1) and MSC-LEG-MEPC-TCC-FAL.1/Circ.1 on *Interim guidance to facilitate remote sessions of the Committees during the COVID-19 pandemic*.

- 11 Revision of the 1979, 1989 and 2009 MODU Codes and associated MSC circulars to prohibit the use of materials containing asbestos, including control of the storage of such materials on board³
- 12 Development of amendments to SOLAS regulation II-1/3-4 to apply requirements for emergency towing equipment for tankers to other types of ships²
- 13 Revision of the Performance standards for water level detectors on bulk carriers and single hold cargo ships other than bulk carriers (resolution MSC.188(79))²
- 14 Review of the Guidelines for the reduction of underwater noise (MEPC.1/Circ.833) and identification of next steps
- 15 Biennial status report and provisional agenda for SDC 9
- 16 Any other business
- 17 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023
- 18 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the *Organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee and their subsidiary bodies* (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2):

- .1 documents should be received by the Secretariat in accordance with paragraph 6.12 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2 as follows⁴:
 - .1 bulky documents⁵ (those containing more than six pages) by **Friday, 15 October 2021** (13 weeks deadline);
 - .2 non-bulky documents (those containing six pages or fewer) and also bulky information documents by **Friday, 12 November 2021** (nine weeks deadline); and
 - .3 documents commenting on those referred to in sub-paragraphs .1 and .2 above and containing four pages or fewer, by **Friday, 26 November 2021** (seven weeks deadline);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing and be as concise as possible, and:

³ Output number to be confirmed by C 125.

⁴ Documents other than information documents and reports from sub-committees, working, drafting, correspondence and other working groups and the Secretariat, which contain more than 20 pages, in line with paragraph 6.11 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2, will not be translated in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (i.e. English).

⁵ In case documents contain more than 50 pages, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2 are to be applied.

- .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2;
 - .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action that the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information they contain; and
- .3 the following word processing format should be observed in order to standardize presentation:
- font: Arial;
 - font size: 11;
 - justification: full;
 - margins: 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

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2 The Maritime Safety Committee has recommended that the sub-committees should strictly observe the provisions in the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.2, which, inter alia, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Member States or international organizations.

3 In order to improve access to information and increase transparency, submitters of meeting documents are invited to give their consent for their documents to be released to the public prior to the meeting by checking the "opt-in box" at the top right corner of the new document template provided on IMODOCS (pre-session public release). In the absence of explicit consent, submissions will not be released to the public prior to the meeting.
