**Correspondence Group on Carriage of more than 12 Industrial Personnel on board Vessels engaged on International Voyages**

**Terms of reference**

Taking into account documents MSC 96/WP.7, MSC 97/WP.7, MSC 97/22, SDC 4/8 and SDC 4/8/1, the comments made at this session, to:

.1 develop a matrix that identifies the relevant aspects of the existing IMO regulatory framework, with regard to definitions and application, in order to ensure that the new SOLAS chapter [XV] and the new Code are consistent with, and avoid unnecessary duplication of, the existing IMO instruments;

.2 develop the draft new SOLAS chapter [XV];

.3 consider the format and organization of the draft Code, providing explanation on the Group's decision;

.4 develop the introduction and preamble for the Code, including also a possible promotion of a consistent level of safety in non-mandatory applications;

.5 consider the impact that the service of the vessel may have on the total number of industrial personnel carried;

.6 develop the draft Code, taking into account the matrix developed under subparagraph .1; and

.7 submit a report to SDC 5.