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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the eighth session of the Sub-Committee
to be held remotely¹
from Monday, 28 February to Friday, 4 March 2022**

(Session commences at 11 a.m. (UTC) on Monday, 28 February 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 New requirements for ventilation of survival craft (6.39)
- 4 Consequential work related to the new International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (6.40)
- 5 Revision of SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code (2.16)
- 6 Review of SOLAS chapter II-2 and associated codes to minimize the incidence and consequences of fires on ro-ro spaces and special category spaces of new and existing ro-ro passenger ships (6.36)
- 7 Amendments to *Guidelines for the approval of fixed dry chemical powder fire-extinguishing systems for the protection of ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk* (MSC.1/Circ.1315) (6.37)
- 8 Development of amendments to the LSA Code and resolution MSC.81(70) to address the in-water performance of SOLAS lifejackets (6.45)
- 9 Requirements for onboard lifting appliances and anchor handling winches (6.35)
- 10 Development of amendments to SOLAS chapter II-2 and the FSS Code concerning detection and control of fires in cargo holds and on the cargo deck of container ships²

¹ 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*.

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- 11 Development of amendments to SOLAS chapter II-2 and MSC.1/Circ.1456 addressing fire protection of control stations on cargo ships (6.46)
- 12 Development of provisions to prohibit the use of fire-fighting foams containing perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) for fire-fighting on board ships (6.47)
- 13 Validated model training courses (1.3)
- 14 Revision of the Code of Safety for Diving Systems (resolution A.831(19)) and the *Guidelines and specifications for hyperbaric evacuation systems (resolution A.692(17))* (6.19)
- 15 Unified interpretation of provisions of IMO safety, security and environment-related conventions (6.1)
- 16 Biennial status report and provisional agenda for SSE 9
- 17 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023
- 18 Any other business
- 19 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 follows:³
 - .1 bulky documents⁴ (those containing more than six pages) by **Friday, 26 November 2021** (13-week deadline);
 - .2 non-bulky documents (those containing six pages or fewer) and also bulky information documents by **Friday, 24 December 2021** (9-week deadline); and
 - .3 documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 and .2 above and containing four pages or fewer, by **Friday, 7 January 2022** (7-week deadline);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing and be as concise as possible, and:
 - .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;

³ 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).

⁴ 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.

- .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.

A template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents.

To facilitate processing, documents should be submitted in Microsoft Word, preferably by email to sse@imo.org. It should be noted that the file size limit for the IMO email system is set at 10 Mbytes. If submitters do not receive an acknowledgement from the Secretariat within five working days, they should contact the Secretary of the Sub-Committee without delay.

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.
