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Summary

This Technical Information summarizes the result of 5th Session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III 5) that was held from the 24 to 28 September 2018, at the IMO headquarters in London.

Information

1. The information provided in this Technical Information are the ones which have high relevance with the work of BKI or considered as an essential information for interested parties.
2. The following agenda are among those discussed during the meeting :

Agenda Number	Topic
3	Consideration and analysis of reports on alleged inadequacy of port reception facilities
4	Lessons learned and safety issues identified from the analysis of marine safety investigation reports
5	Measures to harmonize Port State Control (PSC) activities and procedures worldwide
8	Updated Survey Guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC)
9	Non-exhaustive list of obligations under instruments relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code)
11	Review the Model Agreement for the authorization of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration

3. The Agenda above are several technical issues discussed during the meeting. A brief coverage among the issues are expressed in the attached document.

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BRIEF REPORT ON IMO MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF IMO INSTRUMENTS 5TH SESSION (III 5)

A. CONSIDERATION AND ANALYSIS OF REPORTS ON ALLEGED INADEQUACY OF PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES (AGENDA ITEM 3)

The Sub-Committee is mindful that any inadequacies of Port Reception Facilities (PRF) are to be reported to IMO, for the transmission to the relevant port state(s). Therefore, the format report as in appendix 1 of the Consolidated Guidance for port reception facility providers and users (MEPC.1/Circ.834 /Rev.1) is to be used and the electronic reporting itself had been accommodated in a dedicated module in the GISIS. It is also reminded that the latest amendments to MARPOL Annex V related to new categorizations of garbage and Form of Garbage Record Book had been included in the MEPC.1/Circ.834 /Rev.1.

It is also noted by the Sub-Committee that from the reported cases of alleged inadequacies of PRF, over 85 % of the reported inadequacies is related to waste categories under MARPOL Annex V, namely "plastics", "domestic wastes" and "operational wastes".

B. LESSONS LEARNED AND SAFETY ISSUES IDENTIFIED FROM THE ANALYSIS OF MARINE SAFETY INVESTIGATION REPORTS (AGENDA ITEM 4)

Having noted documents submitted under agenda item 4 and the report of Correspondence Group on Analysis of Marine Safety Investigation Reports, established by III 4, the Sub-Committee established Working Group on Analysis of Marine Safety Investigation Reports.

The extract of III 5 decisions related to agenda item 4 are summarized below:

a) Bulk Carrier Casualty Report 2008-2017

The Sub-Committee noted documents submitted by INTERCARGO providing information on bulk carrier casualty statistics and analysis between the years 2008 and 2017, which can be downloaded from webpage: <https://www.intercargo.org/bulk-carrier-casualty-report-2017/>.

INTERCARGO provided brief summary that during the period there have been fifty-three (53) total losses of bulk carriers of 10,000 tonnes deadweight and above with the reported loss of 202 seafarers.

Even though the graphics of annual average lives lost and annual average of ships lost indicates a decline, moisture-related cargo failure mechanisms, such as liquefaction, continue to be of great concern for the safe carriage.

b) Lessons learned from marine casualties

The Sub-Committee approved the draft text of Lessons Learned from Marine Casualties and their release on the IMO website, containing several cases of collisions, occupational accidents, foundering, description of the event and what people can learn from the occurrences.

C. MEASURES TO HARMONIZE PORT STATE CONTROL (PSC) ACTIVITIES AND PROCEDURES WORLDWIDE (AGENDA ITEM 5)

Having noted documents submitted under agenda item 5 and the report of Correspondence Group on Measures to harmonize Port State Control (PSC) activities and procedures worldwide, established by III 4, the Sub-Committee established Working Group on Measures to harmonize port State control activities and procedures worldwide.

The extract of III 5 decisions related to agenda item 5 are summarized below:

a) Procedures for Port State Control, 2017

The Sub-Committee agreed that the draft revision of the Procedures for Port State Control, 2017 containing new requirements and/or amendments adopted by the Organization, be referred to the Correspondence Group established by III 5, on Measures to Harmonize Port State Control (PSC) Activities and Procedures Worldwide for finalization.

Furthermore, the Sub-Committee requested MSC and MEPC to authorize that the outcome of the work of III 6 on the Procedures for Port State Control be directly referred to A 31 for consideration with a view to adoption.

b) Related Guidelines for PSC

The Sub-Committee agreed that the revised 2009 Guidelines for Port State Control under the revised MARPOL Annex VI should be inserted as an appendix in the Procedures for Port State Control.

In addition, The Sub-Committee agreed to refer the draft amendments to the Guidelines for Port State Control officers on the ISM Code (appendix 8) and the Guidelines for port State control officers on certification of seafarers, manning and hours of rest (appendix 11) to HTW 6 for technical review and advice to III 6, subject to concurrence by MSC 101.

D. UPDATED SURVEY GUIDELINES UNDER THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION (HSSC) (AGENDA ITEM 8)

Having noted documents submitted under agenda item 8 and the report of Correspondence Group on the Review of the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC and the Non-exhaustive List of Obligations under Instruments Relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code), established by III 4, the Sub-Committee established Drafting Group on the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC, the Non-exhaustive List of Obligations and the Model Agreement.

Selected III 5 decisions related to agenda item 8 are summarized below:

a) Exemption of survey and certification requirements under the MARPOL convention for unmanned non-self-propelled (UNSP) barges

The Sub-Committee endorsed the group two recommendations regarding exemption from survey and certification requirements under the MARPOL Convention for UNSP barges, namely:

- .1 The issue regarding whether different definitions of UNSP barges under each individual MARPOL Annex or a unified definition for all MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI needed to be further considered; and
- .2 More study and work needed to be carried out in relation to the exemption from relevant technical and operational requirements of MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI for UNSP barges.

b) Amendments to the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC, 2017

The Sub-Committee agreed to the draft amendments to the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC, 2017 (resolution A.1120(30)), derived from the amendments to the relevant IMO instruments entering into force up to and including 1 January 2019.

E. NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER INSTRUMENTS RELEVANT TO THE IMO INSTRUMENTS IMPLEMENTATION CODE (III CODE) (AGENDA ITEM 9)

Having noted documents submitted under agenda item 9 and the report of Correspondence Group on the Review of the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC and the Non-exhaustive List of Obligations under Instruments Relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code).

The Sub-Committee agreed to the draft amendments to the 2017 Non-exhaustive list of obligations under instruments relevant to the IMO Instrument Implementation Code (resolution A.1121(30)), deriving from amendments to the relevant mandatory IMO instruments that will enter into force up to and including 1 January 2020.

F. REVIEW THE MODEL AGREEMENT FOR THE AUTHORIZATION OF RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE ADMINISTRATION (AGENDA ITEM 11)

Having noted documents submitted under agenda item 11 and the report of Correspondence Group on the Review of the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC and the Non-exhaustive List of Obligations under Instruments Relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code), established by III 4, the Sub-Committee established Drafting Group on the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC, the Non-exhaustive List of Obligations and the Model Agreement.

The III 5 Sub-Committee decisions related to agenda item 11 are The Sub-Committee agreed to the draft MSC-MEPC circular on the revised Model Agreement for the authorization of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration, with a view to submission to MEPC 74 and MSC 101 for approval.

The intention on revising the Model Agreement is to ensure that it is in line with the provisions and language used by the RO Code, such as the use of term "ship" instead of "vessels and mobile offshore unit" or "vessels", and the use of term "shall" instead of "should", considering that would be binding on both sides of Parties who sign the agreement.