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Summary

This Technical Information summarizes the 2nd Session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III) held from 13 to 17 July 2015, at the IMO headquarters in London.

Information

1. The following agenda are discussed during III 2 meeting:

Agenda Number	Topic
3	Non-mandatory instrument on regulations for non-convention ships
4	Requirements for access to, or electronic versions of, certificates and documents, including record books required to be carried on ships
7	Measures to harmonize Port State Control (PSC) activities and procedures worldwide
9	Updated Survey Guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC)
10	Non-exhaustive list of obligation under instruments relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code)

2. 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 INFORMATION OF IMO SUB-COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF IMO INSTRUMENTS
SESSION 2 (III 2)**

**NON-MANDATORY INSTRUMENTS ON REGULATIONS FOR NON-CONVENTION SHIPS (AGENDA
ITEM 3)**

In promoting and enhancing maritime safety aspects relating to non-convention vessels, including small fishing vessels and domestic passenger ferries, a modular set of standards and harmonized regulations and model national legislation for ships not covered by the 1974 SOLAS Convention (hereinafter called "GlobalReg") were developed through consultancy, as well as a basic model course in the framework of technical cooperation.

Following the discussions of related matters made during the Committee and Sub-Committee Meetings, it was agreed that at initial stage, non-mandatory instrument on safety standards for non-convention ships should be limited to the common general regulations and to the specific regulations applicable to "non-convention" passenger ships. Furthermore, it was also agreed that GlobalReg is not intended to undermine existing regional, bilateral and national standards.

The work on GlobalReg was undertaken on the basis of the two-tier system. During III 2, the Sub-Committee has reviewed and endorsed the non-validated the Guide for regulating the safety of passenger ships not covered by SOLAS: generic principles and functional requirements for devising national or regional regulations for passenger ship safety certification as the completion of tier I.

In addition, III 2 agreed that the draft guide should rather be circulated as an annex to the III 2 Meeting Report. The guide will be available to Member States on request.

The similar work for other types of ships was not considered as being necessary at this stage, since a predominant part of the content of any further work for other types of ships could be very similar to the current tier I.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESS TO, OR ELECTRONIC VERSIONS OF, CERTIFICATES AND DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING RECORD BOOKS REQUIRED TO BE CARRIED ON SHIPS (AGENDA
ITEM 4)**

Following the approval of Guidelines for the use of electronic certificates (FAL.5/Circ.39/Rev.1), MEPC 67 and MSC 94 instructed the Sub-Committee to consider amending FAL.2/Circ.127-MEPC.1/Circ.817-MSC.1/Circ.1462 on "List of certificates and documents required to be carried on board ships" so as to reflect this understanding.

In this regard, III 2 decided that the amendments to FAL.2/Circ.127-MEPC.1/Circ.817-MSC.1/Circ.1462 are not needed this time.

The need might arise later based on the outcome of the consideration by MEPC 69 of the use of electronic record books under MARPOL and the work of the Correspondence Group on Electronic Access to Certificates and Documents which FAL 39 decided to re-establish.

UPDATED SURVEY GUIDELINES UNDER THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION (HSSC) (AGENDA ITEM 9)

The work on reviewing and updating the survey guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC) have been conducting since its adoption by Assembly Resolution A.746(18).

In relation with above matter, the Sub-Committee agreed to draft Amendments to Survey Guidelines covering:

1. the requirements deriving from amendments to relevant IMO instruments entering into force up to and including 31 December 2015
2. a new paragraph 4.8.3 covering guidance for cases where deficiencies, other than those described in paragraphs 4.8.1 and 4.8.2
3. amendments to (CIn) 2.3.2.3 of Annex 1 regarding the examination of selected cargo spaces of gas carriers at intermediate surveys for ships over 10 years of age
4. new survey items regarding the verification of an appropriate atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces and its calibration

Regarding alignment of the survey regime for ships not subject to the enhanced survey programme of inspections (ESP) of bulk carriers and oil tankers with that of ships subject to it, to align the survey intervals of the intermediate survey, the Sub-Committee agreed to the draft amendments to SOLAS XI-1/2 and the Survey guidelines. The amendments will be submitted to MSC 96 for approval and adoption.

In addition, the Sub-Committee also agreed to draft amendments to MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI related to the exemption of the Unmanned Non-Self-Propelled (UNSP) barges from survey and certification requirements. The amendments will be submitted to MEPC 69 for approval and subsequent adoption.

UNSP barge which is entitled to the above exemption is a barge that:

1. is not propelled by mechanical means
2. has neither crew nor passengers or other persons on board during navigation
3. carries no oil (as defined in MARPOL Annex I, regulation 1.1) in bulk
4. carries no noxious liquid substances (as defined in MARPOL Annex II, regulation 1.10) in bulk
5. has no machinery installed that may generate oil residues
6. has no fuel oil tank, lubricating oil tank and bilge/oil residues tank
7. has no system, equipment and/or machinery installed that may generate emissions controlled by MARPOL Annex VI
8. has undergone a survey to confirm the above conditions are met

NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER INSTRUMENTS RELEVANT TO THE IMO INSTRUMENTS IMPLEMENTATION CODE (III CODE) (AGENDA ITEM 10)

The Sub-Committee agreed to the amendments to the 2013 Non-exhaustive list of obligations under instruments relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code) (resolution A.1077(28)) and prepared the text of a draft Assembly resolution, for submission to A 29 for adoption.