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## ROLE OF THE HUMAN ELEMENT

### Outcome of MSC 84 on human element issues

#### Note by the Secretariat

#### SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document provides the outcome of MSC 84 relevant to the work of the Committee on the role of the human element
<i>Strategic direction:</i>	-
<i>High-level action:</i>	-
<i>Planned output:</i>	-
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 7
<i>Related documents:</i>	MSC 84/24 and MSC 84/WP.6

#### INTRODUCTION

1 The Joint MSC/MEPC Working Group on Human Element was reconvened during MSC 84 (7 to 16 May 2008) and its report on that session has been circulated under the symbol MSC 84/WP.6\*.

2 The decisions of MSC 84 in relation to the report of the Joint MSC/MEPC Working Group on Human Element (MSC 84/24, paragraphs 15.28 to 15.49) relevant to the work of the Committee are summarized in the following paragraphs.

#### MATTERS RELATED TO THE ISM CODE

##### Amendments to the ISM Code

3 MSC 84 approved draft amendments to the ISM Code and requested the Secretary-General to circulate the proposed amendments, in accordance with SOLAS article VIII, for consideration, at MSC 85, with a view to adoption.

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\* Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies to MEPC 58.

**Amendments to the Revised Guidelines on implementation of the ISM Code by Administrations (resolution A.913(22))**

4 MSC 84 noted the preliminary draft text of amendments to the Revised Guidelines on implementation of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code by Administrations prepared by the group and invited Member Governments and international organizations to submit comments and proposals for consideration at the next session of the Joint MSC/MEPC Working Group on Human Element to be held during MEPC 59 (July 2009) for finalization with a view to adoption at A 26.

**THE ORGANIZATION'S STRATEGY TO ADDRESS THE HUMAN ELEMENT****Near-miss data in accident and incident investigations**

5 MSC 84, subject to concurrent decision by MEPC 58, approved draft MSC-MEPC.7 circular on Guidance on near-miss reporting, set out in annex 3 to document MSC 84/WP.6.

**Updated human element action plan**

6 MSC 84, subject to concurrent decision by MEPC 58, approved the updated Human element action plan provided in the annex to MSC-MEPC.7/Circ.4 on the Organization's strategy to address the human element, as set out in annex 4 to document MSC 84/WP.6.

**ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COMMITTEE**

7 The Committee is invited to consider the above information and take action as appropriate and, in particular, to:

- .1 approve the draft MSC-MEPC.7 circular on Guidance on near-miss reporting (paragraph 8.1 and annex 3<sup>\*\*</sup>); and
- .2 approve the updated action plan on the Organization's strategy to address the human element (paragraph 10.1 and annex 4<sup>\*\*</sup>).

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<sup>\*\*</sup> References are to paragraphs of, and annexes to, the report of the Joint MSC/MEPC Working Group on Human Element (document MSC 84/WP.6)