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GOAL-BASED NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

Implementation of the GBS verification scheme – progress report

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	The document reports on the current status of the implementation of the GBS verification scheme
<i>Strategic direction:</i>	10
<i>High-level action:</i>	10.1.1
<i>Planned output:</i>	10.1.1.2
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 4
<i>Related document:</i>	MSC 87/26, section 5 and annex 13

1 The Committee will recall that MSC 87, as part of the package of measures concerning goal-based ship construction standards (GBS) for bulk carriers and oil tankers, approved the timetable and schedule of activities for the implementation of the GBS verification scheme (MSC 87/26, paragraph 5.34 and annex 13).

2 In line with the activities outlined in the timetable, the Secretariat has issued:

- .1 on 19 July 2010, Circular letter No.3076 (Invitation for the nomination of auditors for the verification of conformity with goal-based standards (GBS)); and
- .2 on 23 August 2010, Circular letter No.3097 (Advanced notification of intent to submit a request for a GBS verification audit).

3 By the date of this document, the Secretariat has received two nominations for auditors, from China and Spain, and no advanced notifications of intent to submit a request for a GBS verification audit.

Action requested of the Committee

4 The Committee is invited to note the information provided.