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GOAL-BASED NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

Documents submitted to previous sessions of the Committee

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary: As requested by MSC 88, this document provides information regarding submissions under this agenda item to previous sessions of the Committee which had not been fully considered pending finalization of the GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers

Strategic direction: 10

High-level action: 10.0.1

Planned output: 10.0.1.1

Action to be taken: Paragraph 7

Related document: MSC 88/26, paragraph 5.7

Background

1 MSC 88 agreed that work on GBS should continue and, in this respect, supported generally relevant proposals made by Germany (MSC 88/5/1) and the Republic of Korea (MSC 88/5/2), in particular the way forward suggested by Germany, i.e. finalization of the draft Generic guidelines for developing goal-based standards and specification of the acceptable safety level and of the model to determine it. MSC 88 also acknowledged that this would be a longer term project during which a number of unresolved issues needed to be considered, such as the role of FSA in the context of GBS, the availability of relevant data and statistics and the expansion of the scope beyond structural requirements.

2 Consequently, MSC 88 invited Member Governments and international organizations to submit detailed proposals along the lines set out in the above paragraph to this session, and agreed that a GBS/FSA Working Group should be established to finalize the draft Generic guidelines for developing goal-based standards and to consider any proposals submitted.

3 In this connection, MSC 88 requested the Secretariat to submit, to this session, a background document listing any relevant submissions to previous Committee sessions detailed consideration of which had been deferred until after the finalization of the GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers and include a brief summary of such documents.

Documents on GBS submitted to previous Committee sessions

4 The Secretariat, when researching the issue, found that a total of 157 documents relating to GBS have been submitted under this agenda item to respective sessions (MSC 76 to MSC 88) since the Committee commenced its work on the matter at MSC 76 in December 2002. The complete list of documents issued is set out in the annex, for the information of the Committee.

5 The Secretariat took the instruction of MSC 88 to mean that the list of documents requested should include submissions containing proposals going beyond the development of GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers only, which, therefore, had not been considered in detail at the relevant Committee meetings.

6 Consequently, the Secretariat identified the following documents and listed them chronologically as follows, including, as requested, a brief summary of their contents:

.1 **MSC 80/6/4** (Germany)

Proposing a general GBS framework consisting of six tiers, including a Tier 0 consisting of top-level safety objectives (high-level performance goals); and introduction of a rule development process based on a risk-based approach.

.2 **MSC 81/6/2** (Denmark, Germany, Norway, Sweden)

Explaining the safety level approach (SLA), including assessment of the actual safety levels of current ship regulations.

.3 **MSC 81/6/3 and MSC 81/INF.7** (Japan)

Providing rational and technical background and information on the methodology of risk-based and safety-level approach, based on the work of the International Ship and Offshore Structure Congress (ISSC).

.4 **MSC 81/6/4** (Japan)

Stating that regulations need to ensure an optimum combination of high level of safety, minimum environmental burden and acceptable social costs and the necessity for the setting of safety levels, accepting that 100% safety or zero risk is impossible.

.5 **MSC 81/6/10** (Japan)

Advocating the introduction of risk (safety level) criteria and the development of IMO guidelines on GBS methodology.

.6 **MSC 81/6/6 and MSC 81/INF.6** (IACS)

Explaining the linkage between FSA and GBS for each GBS tier and each FSA step and the use of Structural reliability Analysis (SRA) for hull structures; and presenting (MSC 81/INF.6) an example for an SRA for hull girder ultimate strength of double-hull tankers.

.7 **MSC 81/6/7** (United Kingdom)

Comparing risk-based and prescriptive approach and concluding that all available tools should be utilized for the development of IMO technical requirements.

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- .8 **MSC 81/6/8** (Denmark, Germany)
- Introducing a "safety knob" to control maritime safety in order to visualize the SLA on the basis of cost of averting a fatality (CAF); and referencing SAFEDOR activities.
- .9 **MSC 81/6/14** (Germany)
- Presenting an example to illustrate the SLA structure, based on CAF/CATS (cost of averting one tonne of oil spilled) values.
- .10 **MSC 82/5/5** (IACS)
- Examining Tiers I and II of the GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers and identifying any changes necessary to adapt them to the SLA.
- .11 **MSC 83/5/3** (Report of the SLA Correspondence Group)
- Reporting on the progress made by the group with regard to definitions of generic ship types for the purpose of statistical analysis; time windows to be used for historical data when establishing statistics for risk categories; review of available statistical data; linkage between FSA and GBS; consideration of the tier structure; common terminology; and evaluation of the current safety level.
- .12 **MSC 83/5/5** (Sweden)
- Proposing that IMO develop a framework for a systematic and transparent goal-based rule-making process (guidelines for rule-making procedures), applicable to all IMO instruments, based on systematic and continuous hazard identification and risk analysis, including introduction of a "rule commentary" for all new regulations to be developed.
- .13 **MSC 83/5/6** (Netherlands)
- Proposing recording background information when (new) regulations are developed (similar to the "rule commentary" proposed in MSC 83/5/5), including reasons for the development of the regulation (what concern does it address), contribution to safety/security, environmental benefits and costs to the maritime industry.
- .14 **MSC 83/5/9** (Japan)
- Commenting on the categorization of ship types and on the evaluation of the current safety level inherent in IMO regulations; proposing to use Lloyds Register/Fairplay data and to prioritize the ongoing work by limiting evaluation to certain ship types; and that an assessment method for the required minimum safety level on separate functions, e.g., life-saving appliances, fire protection, stability, etc., should be further considered.
- .15 **MSC 83/5/10** (Germany)
- Proposing to develop more detailed descriptions of the future shape of safety levels and how they relate to existing risk levels, a definition of the system "ship" to understand the risk contributors of the shipping industry; and commenting on the application of the tier system to the SLA, the linkage to IMO's method of work and available ship casualty data.

.16 **MSC 83/5/16** (Republic of Korea)

Commenting on categorization of ship types, time windows to be used for historical data, review of available statistical data, extension of Tier II functional requirements to other aspects and development of common terminology for GBS/SLA.

.17 **MSC 83/INF.4** (Netherlands)

Presenting the results of a research project on goal-based regulations for life-saving appliances.

.18 **MSC 84/5/4** (Denmark, Germany, Sweden)

Containing detailed proposals for a generic framework for GBS, defined as a standard that "determines a goal to be achieved but without specifying the solution", whereby the structure is based on "rules for rules" and "rules for the ship" parts; and illustrating high-level goals and corresponding clusters of functional requirements with examples.

.19 **MSC 84/5/5** (Japan)

Agreeing that the generic framework should contain top-level goals, sub-goals and functional requirements; and providing two examples, for intact stability and structural safety, for further consideration of the methodology to compensate for the gaps between top-level goals and functional requirements.

.20 **MSC 84/INF.5** (Netherlands)

Providing parts of the text of the NATO Naval Ship Code as an example to illustrate how the GBS methodology was applied in the drafting of the Code.

.21 **MSC 85/5/3** (Japan)

Clarifying the definition of SLA and the concept of introducing SLA into GBS, and providing an outline of ongoing work on the issue in Japan.

.22 **MSC 86/5/3** (Denmark)

Presenting guidelines for the approval process of risk-based designed ships, developed, used and tested under the research project SAFEDOR and intended for the use of both authorities and clients/design teams when considering a risk-based design; and providing guidance on various aspects requiring consideration when entering the approval process for alternative designs and arrangements.

Action requested of the Committee

7 The Committee is invited to consider the information set out in this document and take action as deemed appropriate.

ANNEX

LIST OF MSC DOCUMENTS ISSUED UNDER THE AGENDA ITEM "GOAL-BASED NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS"

MSC 76

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| MSC 76/5/10 | Greece | Building of robust ships |
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MSC 77

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| MSC 77/2/3 | IACS | IMO Strategic Plan |
| MSC 77/2/4 | OCIMF | IMO Strategic Plan |
| MSC 77/2/5 | Bahamas, Greece | IMO Strategic Plan – New build standards |
| MSC 77/2/6 | INTERTANKO | IMO Strategic Plan |
| MSC 77/INF.6 | IACS | IMO Strategic Plan – Classification Process |

MSC 78

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| MSC 78/6 | Secretariat | Chronological background |
| MSC 78/6/1 | Secretariat | Outcome of MEPC 49 |
| MSC 78/6/2 | Bahamas, Greece, IACS | Proposal for the development of goal-based standards |
| MSC 78/6/3 | Poland | Specific concept on goal-based standards |
| MSC 78/6/4 | AWES | Comments on and proposed modifications to MSC 78/6/2 |
| MSC 78/6/5 | Japan | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 78/6/6 | France | Comments on document MSC 78/6/2 |

MSC 79

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| MSC 79/6 | Secretariat | Background summary |
| MSC 79/6/1 | Chairman | Issues for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/2 | Marshall Islands | Issues for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/3 | Germany | Guiding strategy |
| MSC 79/6/4 | Poland | Comments on document MSC 79/6/1 |
| MSC 79/6/5 | Poland | Concept on ship safety assurance system |
| MSC 79/6/6 and Corr.1 | India | Issues for development and implementation |
| MSC 79/6/7 | United Kingdom, Denmark | Role of the human element |
| MSC 79/6/8 | Greece | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 79/6/9 | ICS | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 79/6/10 | Ireland | Issues for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/11 | Brazil | Consideration for the improvement of the goal-based new ship construction standards (GBS) |

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| MSC 79/6/12 and Corr.1 | Brazil | A goal-based new ship construction standards (GBS) approach |
| MSC 79/6/13 | Republic of Korea | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 79/6/14 | Republic of Korea | Potential subjects for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/15 | Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Faroe Islands | Issues for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/16 | Canada | Issues for consideration |
| MSC 79/6/17 | United States | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 79/6/18 | Iran, Islamic Republic of | A goal-based new ship construction standards (GBS) approach |
| MSC 79/6/19 | Bahamas | Comments on goal-based standards and formal safety assessment |
| MSC 79/6/20 | Bahamas | Comments on document MSC 79/6/1 |
| MSC 79/6/21 | IACS | Comments on document MSC 79/6/1 |
| MSC 79/6/22 | Japan | Comments on the issues raised by the Chairman |
| MSC 79/6/23 | Spain | Comments on documents MSC 79/6/1, MSC 79/6/5 and MSC 79/6/10 |
| MSC 79/6/24 | United Kingdom | Considerations in setting goals and functions |
| MSC 79/6/25 | United Kingdom | Relationship between goal-based standards, prescriptive regulation and Formal Safety Assessment |
| MSC 79/6/26 | INTERTANKO | Goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 79/INF.5 | Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Faroes | Issues for consideration |

MSC 80

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| MSC 80/6 | Chairman of the Working Group | Report of the Working Group on Goal-Based Standards at MSC 79 |
| MSC 80/6/1 | Japan | Proposal for Tier I and Tier II of the goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 80/6/2 | Poland | Quantitative criteria |
| MSC 80/6/3 | Bahamas | Comments on document MSC 80/6 |
| MSC 80/6/4 | Germany | Introducing goal-based standards (GBS) into the existing regulatory framework |
| MSC 80/6/5 | Greece | Definition of basic parameters for the development of GBS |
| MSC 80/6/6 | Denmark, Norway | General principles for structural standards |
| MSC 80/6/7 | Denmark, Norway | Considerations on some basic building blocks in goal-based standards |
| MSC 80/6/8 | IACS | Determination of actual service life |
| MSC 80/6/9 | IACS | Design life and related lifecycle design parameters |
| MSC 80/6/10 | Iran, Islamic Republic of | Proposal on Tiers I, II and III of the goal-based new ship construction standards |

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| MSC 80/6/11 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Working Group on Goal-Based Standards at MSC 79 |
| MSC 80/6/12 | United States | Comments on the report of the Working Group (document MSC 80/6) |
| MSC 80/6/13 | CESA | Comments on draft proposals for Tier I and Tier II |
| MSC 80/INF.3 | Poland | Safety factors and safety margins |
| MSC 80/INF.4 | Poland | Response of ship's structure to waves in different sea areas |

MSC 81

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| MSC 81/6 | Chairman of the GBS Working group | Report of the Working Group on Goal-Based Standards at MSC 80 (Part 2) |
| MSC 81/6/1 | United States | Report of the Correspondence Group on Goal-Based Standards |
| MSC 81/6/2 | Denmark, Germany, Norway, Sweden | Safety level approach |
| MSC 81/6/3 | Japan | Safety level approach |
| MSC 81/6/4 | Japan | Japan's position on goal-based new ship construction standards |
| MSC 81/6/5 | Japan | Basic concept of a Ship Construction File (SCF) |
| MSC 81/6/6 | IACS | Linkage between FSA and GBS |
| MSC 81/6/7 | United Kingdom | Where does risk come into the rule development process? |
| MSC 81/6/8 | Denmark, Germany | The safety level approach – introducing the safety knob to control maritime safety |
| MSC 81/6/9 | Iran, Islamic Republic of | Draft Tier III |
| MSC 81/6/10 | Japan | Safety level approach – safety level criteria |
| MSC 81/6/11 | Republic of Korea | Tier III - Verification of compliance criteria |
| MSC 81/6/12 | Republic of Korea | Comments on Tier III - Information and documentation requirements |
| MSC 81/6/13 | Germany | Use of Structural Reliability Analysis in the Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 81/6/14 | Germany | Safety level approach – worked example |
| MSC 81/6/15 | Greece | Linkage between FSA and GBS |
| MSC 81/6/16 | Greece | GBS and the risk/safety level approach |
| MSC 81/6/17 | Greece | Life Cycle Cost and Environmental Impact |
| MSC 81/6/18 | Germany | Comments on document MSC 81/6/1 |
| MSC 81/INF.4 | Denmark, Germany, Japan, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom | Announcement of a workshop to promote the understanding of the "safety level approach" (risk-based approach) |
| MSC 81/INF.6 | IACS | Linkage between FSA and GBS |
| MSC 81/INF.7 | Japan | Safety level approach |

MSC 82

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| MSC 82/5 | United States | Report of the Correspondence Group on Goal-Based Standards |
| MSC 82/5/1 | Germany, Sweden | Report of the Correspondence Group on the safety level approach |
| MSC 82/5/2 | Secretariat | Comments on liability and incorporation of GBS into IMO instruments |
| MSC 82/5/3 | Liberia | Consideration of the human element and ergonomics |
| MSC 82/5/4 | Iran, Islamic Republic of | Comments on liability and incorporation of GBS into IMO instruments |
| MSC 82/5/5 | IACS | Draft Tier II – Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 82/5/6 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on GBS for bulk carriers and tankers |
| MSC 82/5/7 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on the Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 82/5/8 | Japan | Draft Guidelines on goal-based standards |
| MSC 82/5/9 | China | Comments on verification of compliance (Tier III) of GBS |
| MSC 82/5/10 | Japan | Comments to the report of the Correspondence Group on GBS for bulk carriers and tankers |
| MSC 82/5/11 | IACS | Comments to the report of the Correspondence Group on GBS for bulk carriers and tankers |

MSC 83

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| MSC 83/5 | Secretariat | MSC's work on goal-based new ship construction standards – an overview |
| MSC 83/5/1 | Coordinator of the Pilot Project | Report of the Pilot project on trial application of the GBS Tier III verification process using the IACS Common Structural Rules |
| MSC 83/5/2 | Sweden | Report of the Correspondence Group on GBS for Oil Tankers and Bulk Carriers |
| MSC 83/5/3 | Germany | Report of the Correspondence Group on Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 83/5/4 | Secretariat | Funding options for a Group of Experts to verify the rules of recognized organizations |
| MSC 83/5/5 | Sweden | On the future of IMO goal-based standards |
| MSC 83/5/6 | Netherlands | Keeping record of the rationale behind regulations |
| MSC 83/5/7 | Denmark | Consideration of GBS and occupational health and safety |

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| MSC 83/5/8 | Finland | Comments on the reports of the Pilot Panel and of the correspondence group on GBS for oil tankers and bulk carriers: Ice strengthening |
| MSC 83/5/9 | Japan | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 83/5/10 | Germany | Safety level approach – safety levels |
| MSC 83/5/11 | Japan | Comments on the report of the Pilot Panel on the trial application of the Tier III verification process using IACS Common Structural Rules (CSR) |
| MSC 83/5/12 | IACS | Comments on Report of the Pilot Panel on the trial application of the Tier III verification process using IACS Common Structural Rules (CSR) |
| MSC 83/5/13 | Argentina, Spain | Criteria for evaluation of the minimum design load |
| MSC 83/5/14 | Germany | Comments on the Report of the Pilot Panel |
| MSC 83/5/15 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the Report of the Pilot Panel on the trial application of the Tier III verification process using IACS Common Structural Rules (CSR) |
| MSC 83/5/16 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on Safety Level Approach |
| MSC 83/5/17 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on GBS for bulk carriers and tankers |
| MSC 83/INF.4 | Netherlands | Example of life-saving appliances |
| MSC 83/INF.5 | IACS | Information submitted by IACS to the Pilot Project on goal-based standards for new ship construction for bulk carriers and oil tankers |

MSC 84

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| MSC 84/5 | Chairman of the GBS Working Group | Report of the Working Group on Goal-Based Standards at MSC 83 (part 2) |
| MSC 84/5/1 | Secretariat | Need for consequential amendments to IMO instruments |
| MSC 84/5/2 | Coordinator of the Pilot Panel | Interim progress report of the Pilot Panel |
| MSC 84/5/3 | Germany | Report of the GBS correspondence group |
| MSC 84/5/4 | Denmark, Germany and Norway | Consideration of the GBS generic structure |
| MSC 84/5/5 | Japan | Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on GBS |
| MSC 84/INF.5 | Netherlands | The Naval Ship Code |

MSC 85

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| MSC 85/5 | Secretariat | Draft SOLAS amendments to make the GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers mandatory and related matters |
| MSC 85/5/1 | Coordinator of the Pilot Panel | Report of the Pilot Panel on the trial application of the Tier III verification process using IACS Common Structural Rules (CSR) |
| MSC 85/5/2 | Secretariat | Verification of compliance – Confidentiality statement |
| MSC 85/5/3 | Japan | Definition of SLA and concept of its introduction into GBS |
| MSC 85/5/4 | Japan | Comments on the draft SOLAS amendments for GBS |
| MSC 85/5/5 | CESA | Ship Construction File – Protection of Intellectual Property Rights |
| MSC 85/5/6 | Japan | Comments on net scantling concept in the report of the Pilot Panel |
| MSC 85/5/7 | Japan, CESA | Consideration of the protection of intellectual property rights (IPR) |
| MSC 85/5/8 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the report of the Pilot Panel on the trial application of the Tier III verification process using IACS Common Structural Rules (CSR) |

MSC 86

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| MSC 86/5 | Secretariat | GBS for bulk carriers and oil tankers |
| MSC 86/5/1 | Chairman of the GBS Working Group | Report of the Working Group on Goal-based Standards at MSC 85 (Part 2) |
| MSC 86/5/2 and Corr.1 | Germany | Report of the correspondence group on generic guidelines for developing goal-based standards |
| MSC 86/5/3 | Denmark | Guidelines on approval of risk-based ship design |
| MSC 86/5/4 | Canada, Norway, Sweden | Alternative to the GBS verification process |
| MSC 86/5/5 | IACS | Alternative to the GBS verification process |
| MSC 86/5/6 | Spain | Comments on the definition of net scantlings adopted by MSC 85 |
| MSC 86/5/7 | Australia | Information to be included in a Ship Construction File |
| MSC 86/5/8 and Corr.1 (E only) | Spain, INTERTANKO | Comments on the Verification Process (Tier III) |
| MSC 86/5/9 | United Kingdom | Effects of the draft regulation on the implementation of the classification rule amendments to ships |
| MSC 86/5/10 | Norway | Alternative to the GBS verification process – Consequences for SOLAS amendments |
| MSC 86/5/11 and | Argentina, Spain | Comments on the Verification Process (Tier III) |

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| MSC 86/5/12 | Republic of Korea | Comments on the alternative to the GBS verification process |
| MSC 86/5/13 | Greece | Guidelines on approval of risk-based ship design |
| MSC 86/5/14 | RINA | Tier III – Verification of Compliance |
| MSC 86/INF.3 | IACS | Guidelines for structural rule development in IACS |
| MSC 86/INF.10 | CESA, ICS, INTERCARGO, INTERTANKO, BIMCO, OCIMF, IACS | Guideline for ship construction file implementation. A cross industry approach to balance design transparency and intellectual property protection |

MSC 87

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| MSC 87/5 | Secretariat | Generic guidelines for developing goal-based standards |
| MSC 87/5/1 | Secretariat | Guidelines for verification of conformity with goal-based ship construction standards for bulk carriers and oil tankers |
| MSC 87/5/2 | Secretariat | Resource requirements and timing of GBS verification audits |
| MSC 87/5/3 | IACS | International Goal-Based Ship Construction Standards for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers |
| MSC 87/5/4 | CESA, ICS, INTERCARGO, INTERTANKO, BIMCO, OCIMF, IACS | Guidelines for Ship Construction File implementation – A cross industry model for SCF implementation |
| MSC 87/5/5 and Corr.1 | CESA, ICS, INTERCARGO, INTERTANKO, BIMCO, OCIMF, IACS | Proposed amendments to the Guidelines for Ship Construction File implementation – Balancing design transparency and intellectual property protection |
| MSC 87/5/6 | IACS | Harmonized Common Structural Rules (HSR) for oil tankers and bulk carriers |
| MSC 87/5/7 | Japan | Comments on the draft Guidelines for verification of conformity with goal-based ship construction standards for bulk carriers and oil tankers |
| MSC 87/5/8 | IACS | Comments on resource requirements and timing of GBS verification audits |

MSC 88

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| MSC 88/5 | Secretariat | Outcome of MSC 87: future work on goal-based standards |
| MSC 88/5/1 | Germany | A proposal for the further development in consideration of the future safety-level based standards |
| MSC 88/5/2 | Republic of Korea | Information on long-term considerations for the continued development of GBS |
| MSC 88/5/3 | Secretariat | Implementation of the GBS verification scheme – progress report |