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PROVISIONAL AGENDA*

**for the fiftieth session of the Sub-Committee to be held at the
International Coffee Organization, 22 Berners Street, London W1T 3DD,
from Monday, 30 April to Friday, 4 May 2007**

(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 30 April 2007)

Opening of the session

- 1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
- 3 Development of explanatory notes for harmonized SOLAS chapter II-1
- 4 Revision of the Intact Stability Code
- 5 Safety of small fishing vessels
- 6 Development of options to improve effect on ship design and safety of the 1969 TM Convention
- 7 Guidelines for uniform operating limitations on high-speed craft
- 8 Time dependant survivability of passenger ships in damaged condition
- 9 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations
- 10 Revision of resolution A.266(VIII)
- 11 Review of the SPS Code
- 12 Analysis of damage cards
- 13 Revision of MSC/Circ.650

* Subject to the relevant decision of MSC 82.

- 14 Interpretation of alterations and modifications of a major character under the revised SOLAS chapter II-1
- 15 Guidance on the impact of open watertight doors on survivability under regulation 22.4 of the revised SOLAS chapter II-1
- 16 Work programme and agenda for SLF 51
- 17 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2008
- 18 Any other business
- 19 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC/Circ.1099 – MEPC/Circ.405):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
 - .1 documents (including information documents) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents), by 26 January 2007. As a general rule, documents, other than information documents, should not contain more than 50 pages. In the case of reports from working, drafting or correspondence groups and in other exceptional circumstances, this number may be exceeded, provided that the aforementioned deadline is put back by one week for every 20 pages exceeding 50 pages;
 - .2 non-bulky documents (including information documents), by 23 February 2007; and
 - .3 documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraph .1 above containing 4 pages or less, by 9 March 2007. These documents should start with a paragraph clearly indicating the document on which comments are made and stating that the document is submitted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 4.10.5 of the aforementioned Guidelines;
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with paragraph 4.1 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;
 - .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;

.3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:

- font: Times New Roman;
- font size: 12;
- justification: full;
- margins (inches): 1 inch left, 0.75 inch right, 0.5 inch top and bottom; and
- margins (centimetres): 2.54 cm left, 1.91 cm right, 1.27 cm top and bottom.

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.4 to facilitate the processing of documents, they should be accompanied by computer diskettes, preferably in Microsoft Word, where available, or sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word to IMO’s e-mail address “info@imo.org”, in which case hard copies of the documents should also be sent by mail or facsimile.

2 The MSC recommended the sub-committees to strictly observe the above provisions of the aforementioned Guidelines which, *inter alia*, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations.
