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1 GENERAL

Introduction

- 1.1 The Technical Cooperation Committee (TCC) held its sixty-seventh session from 17 to 19 July 2017, chaired by Mr. Zulkurnain Ayub (Malaysia). The Vice-Chair of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Laurent Parenté (Vanuatu), was also present.
- 1.2 The session was attended by delegations from Members and an Associate Member; by observers from intergovernmental organizations with agreements of cooperation and by observers from non-governmental organizations in consultative status; as listed in document TC 67/INF.1.
- 1.3 The session was also attended by the Chair of the Facilitation Committee, Mr. Yury Melenas (Russian Federation).

Opening address of the Secretary-General

1.4 The Secretary-General welcomed participants and delivered his opening address, the full text of which can be downloaded from the IMO website at the following link: http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/SecretaryGeneral/Secretary-GeneralsSpeechesToMeetings

Adoption of the agenda

1.5 The Committee adopted the provisional agenda set out in document TC 67/1 (Secretariat) as the agenda for the session. The Committee also agreed to take up the items for consideration in the order in which they appeared in the provisional timetable.

2 WORK OF OTHER BODIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

2.1 The Committee decided, in view of the limited time available, to consider this agenda item at its next session, within the framework of rule 13 of its revised Rules of Procedure, and in this respect requested the Secretariat to update document TC 67/2 and submit it as a document for the next session.

3 INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

(a) Annual Report for 2016

Annual report for 2016

3.1 The Committee had before it four documents relating to the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) Annual Report for 2016. Document TC 67/3(a) (Secretariat) provided, in annex 1, a summary of the achievements and outputs of the activities implemented under the regional and global programmes; and document TC 67/3(a)/Add.1 (Secretariat) provided, in annex 2, an overview of financial resource delivery of the ITCP through the presentation of expenditure analyses. Document TC 67/3(a)/1 (Republic of Korea) provided information on the results of the IMO Maritime English Instructor Training Course held in the Republic of Korea in 2016, and recommendations for future courses. Finally, document TC 67/INF.12 (Argentina and Chile) provided information on the results of the subregional workshop on port State control under the Polar Code held in Ushuaia, Argentina, from 12 to 16 December 2016.

- 3.2 The Committee was informed that the results of the ITCP implementation showed that 237 activities were delivered during 2016. This number included, inter alia, the implementation of 18 advisory and needs assessment missions and 118 training courses, seminars and workshops held at the national, regional and global levels. These training events covered an extensive range of maritime topics and resulted in the training of approximately 2,921 persons worldwide in 2016. In addition, another 72 fellows completed fellowships in the maritime field (including 22 fellowships at the World Maritime University (WMU) and the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI)), and 1,124 officials attended events aimed at developing and harmonizing regional strategies on maritime technical matters.
- 3.3 The Committee was also informed that the total expenditure on technical cooperation activities in 2016 reached \$13.8 million, representing a delivery rate of 90% of the resources programmed for that year. The profile of resource disbursement featured 23 sources of funding, with the Technical Cooperation (TC) Fund being the most significant at \$7.4 million, representing 54% of the overall total funds expended.
- 3.4 The Committee was further informed of the value of the non-financial contributions to the overall success in the delivery of ITCP activities, which should not be underestimated.
- 3.5 Delegations who spoke commended the Secretariat on the delivery of the 2016 ITCP, which benefited many countries, and noted the high rate of delivery achieved. Many recipient delegations reiterated their willingness to continue to support delivery of the ITCP by hosting and providing other in-kind support. Several delegations provided further details of the activities which took place in their countries and regions, and offered suggestions for areas of additional technical assistance in the future. Delegations also expressed appreciation for the increased number of fellowships provided during 2016, particularly for WMU and IMLI.
- 3.6 Some delegations noted with interest the decision to disaggregate the data for Asia and the Pacific Islands, and for Latin America and the Caribbean in the report, and stated that the Secretariat could consider doing the same for other regions. Other delegations suggested that the Secretariat should periodically revisit the technical cooperation regional groupings, given that the needs of countries change, to ensure that the support IMO provided was in line with the needs of Member States and that regions were representative of those needs.
- 3.7 A few delegations suggested that the Secretariat should report not only on activities delivered, but also on the impact of those activities for the recipient countries. The Secretariat encouraged Member States to submit documents detailing the benefit of the technical assistance they had received, noting that one such example could be seen in document TC 67/3(b)/1 on the impact of the marine environment projects in East Asia funded by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad).
- 3.8 The Secretariat thanked delegations for the feedback and comments on the delivery of the 2016 ITCP, and noted that it would look further into the issues of regional disaggregation of data and regional groupings.
- 3.9 The Committee noted the information provided in the ITCP Annual Report for 2016 (documents TC 67/3(a) and TC 67/3(a)/Add.1 (Secretariat)) and expressed its gratitude to all donors for their cash contributions to the bi- and multi-lateral technical cooperation trust funds and to other Member States and partners for their in-kind support that had facilitated the implementation of the ITCP activities.
- 3.10 The Committee further noted that the ITCP Annual Report for 2016 would be placed on the Technical Cooperation section of the IMO website.

Results of the IMO Maritime English Instructor Training Course 2016

- 3.11 The Committee considered document TC 67/3(a)/1, submitted by the Republic of Korea, on the results of the IMO Maritime English Instructor Training Course, 2016. In the ensuing discussions, two delegations thanked the Republic of Korea for the analysis and recommendations in the document, but pointed out that suggestions for the establishment of the trainer training course for Maritime English instructors should be submitted to the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), as that was the Committee responsible for such matters. The Secretariat agreed that revision of the contents of model courses was indeed the purview of the MSC, and noted that, given the large number of model courses in need of updating, the Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) Sub-Committee had agreed to prioritize those model courses which were more than five years old, while the Maritime English model course had been last revised in 2015. The Secretariat suggested that if the Republic of Korea wanted to take the matter further, it should submit a proposal to the HTW Sub-Committee, which could then consider the proposal while also weighing the priorities of updating other model courses.
- 3.12 The Committee thanked the Republic of Korea for submitting the document on the results of the IMO Maritime English Instructor Training Course 2016.

Results of the subregional workshop on port State control under the Polar Code

3.13 The Committee noted the information provided by Argentina and Chile in document TC 67/INF.12 on the results of the subregional workshop on port State control under the Polar Code, and thanked Argentina and Chile for their submission.

(b) **Programme for 2018 and 2019**

Programme for 2018 and 2019

- The Committee considered the proposed ITCP for 2018 and 2019 set out in document TC 67/3(b)/Rev.1 (Secretariat), and which was considered by the Intersessional Technical Cooperation Committee Working Group on the Technical Cooperation Programme and the Sustainable Development Goals (TC/ISWG 2) which met in May 2017. The Committee noted that in the preparation of the programme, the capacity-building needs of Member States, particularly Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs). resulting from amendments to existing IMO treaties together with the development of new instruments, had been taken into consideration. The Committee further noted that for its preparation, a number of elements and priority areas had been taken into account, including the Organization's new draft strategic plan, the thematic priorities of IMO Committees, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the identified needs of the developing countries, the Country Maritime Profiles (CMPs) and the interests of development partners. In this regard, it was noted that the ITCP for 2018 and 2019 aimed to support the Organization's response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, both at the IMO level and at the country level, by including a new global programme on Support to the response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Blue Economy. Moreover, a new global programme on support to the implementation of the technical cooperation aspects of IMO's Strategic Plan 2018-2023 would support technical cooperation needs relating to the Organization's new Strategic Plan.
- 3.15 Many delegations made interventions and thanked the TC/ISWG 2 and the Secretariat for their work in producing an ambitious but realistic and achievable programme and expressed their strong support for the programme. A number of delegations expressed their appreciation for the inclusion of the linkage between technical assistance work and the SDGs in the programme for 2018 and 2019.

- 3.16 Several delegations made additional suggestions for inclusion in the ITCP for 2018 and 2019, including: adding a goal-based element to both the ITCP and its reporting; inclusion of IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS) findings-related activities in the programming of technical assistance; and prioritizing the recommendations contained in the resolution resulting from the Regional Senior Maritime Administrators' Workshop, held in Barbados in February 2017. Other delegations had questions on specific aspects of the ITCP for 2018 and 2019, such as funding for particular regions and programmes, which were addressed by the Secretariat.
- 3.17 The Committee took note of the view that it was not enough for ITCP programmes to recognize the impact of new instruments or amendments to existing instruments on SIDS and LDCs, but noted that this impact should be taken into account prior to adoption.
- 3.18 The delegation of the Philippines made an intervention to support the ITCP priority of human resource development, offering to host, through the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), four regional and four national activities during the 2018-2019 biennium. These activities are detailed in the statement by the Philippines, attached in annex 9.
- 3.19 The delegation of Cameroon made an intervention to provide the Committee with information about the ongoing capacity-building project on facilitation of maritime traffic. The statement by Cameroon containing further details of this project is attached, in French, in annex 9.
- 3.20 The Secretariat thanked delegations for their comments and suggestions and noted that they would be taken into consideration.
- 3.21 The Committee approved the proposed ITCP for 2018 and 2019 as set out in document TC 67/3(b)/Rev.1 (Secretariat), including the core activities planned under regional and global programmes, subject to adequate funding estimated at some \$23.8 million.
- 3.22 The Committee noted that the funding for the entire ITCP was subject to the available resources under the TC Fund for the next biennium and to the Secretariat's efforts to secure external donor contributions in the form of financial or in-kind resources. In this regard, Member States and shipping industry stakeholders were urged to make financial and/or in-kind contributions towards the resources which were needed for the delivery of the proposed programme.

Information on the implementation of marine environment projects funded by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad) in East Asia

3.23 The Committee noted the information provided by Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam (document TC 67/3(b)/1) on the implementation of marine environment projects funded in East Asia by Norad. The Committee thanked the authors of the document for the information and Norad for funding these projects. Several delegates spoke in support of the request for additional support for capacity building and follow-up to the project in order to sustain the progress achieved by the projects to date. The delegation of Norway, while congratulating the beneficiaries and IMO on the good results achieved through the projects, informed the Committee that Norad planned to continue to support technical assistance activities related to the marine environment and would discuss follow-up action with the Secretariat.

Report of the Regional Senior Maritime Administrators' Workshop

3.24 The Committee noted the information provided by Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago (document TC 67/INF.3) on the outcome of the Regional Senior Maritime Administrators' Workshop held in Barbados in February 2017, and thanked the authors for their submission.

4 FINANCING OF THE INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

(a) Technical Cooperation Fund Allocation for 2018 and 2019

- 4.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/4(a) (Secretariat) on the TC Fund allocation for 2018 and 2019, setting out the proposals for the annual allocations from the TC Fund to support the delivery of the ITCP for 2018 and 2019. In this respect, the Committee was advised that the Secretary-General had recommended the allocation of £10 million from the surplus of the Trading Fund to the TC Fund for the 2018-2019 biennium, which was the same amount allocated for the 2016-2017 biennium. However, using the exchange rate of £1.00 equal to \$1.30, this amounts to \$13 million, which in US dollar terms was 13% less than the allocation of \$15 million for the 2016-2017 biennium. In addition, the Committee was informed that, depending on the eventual final decisions of the Council and the Assembly in relation to the allocation to the TC Fund and the prevailing exchange rates when the funds were finally released and converted into US dollars, the Secretariat would make the necessary adjustments and inform the Committee accordingly at its next session. On the basis of the current expenditure pattern and trend, the proposal envisaged an annual allocation of \$6,969,510 for 2018 and \$6,030,490 for 2019.
- 4.2 The Committee was informed that the TC Fund allocation was configured on the basis of certain prioritization criteria under the respective regional and global programmes, taking into consideration emerging needs of Member States in regard to technical assistance and other priorities, such as the United Nations (UN) 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- 4.3 The Committee was further informed that the overall allocation of \$13 million would cover 55% of the total ITCP requirement, and that the Secretariat should engage with donors and other technical cooperation partners in pursuance of its resource mobilization efforts to secure the financing of the remaining ITCP activities.
- 4.4 The Committee recalled that TC Fund reserves were available as an unprogrammed resource to finance unexpected emergency requests for which no advance provision had been made, in accordance with the Rules of Operation of the TC Fund.
- 4.5 Many delegations intervened to express their support for the TC Fund allocation for 2018-2019, and thanked the Secretariat for the detailed, clear and thorough document. The decreased value in US dollars of the funds available as compared with the previous biennium, due to the unfavourable GBP to USD exchange rate, was noted by the Committee. Several delegations commended the decision of the Secretary-General to recruit a resource mobilization officer within TCD to facilitate the mobilization of external funding to mitigate the reliance on the TC Fund, in view of the decreasing resources of the Trading Fund. The Secretary-General noted that in addition to the funding strategy, which would be discussed under agenda item 4(b), the Secretariat was in the process of developing a medium to long-term technical cooperation strategy, which would be reported to the Committee once it was drafted.

4.6 Some delegations had specific questions about the global programmes for Effective implementation and enforcement of energy efficiency measures for ships and Support for the response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Blue Economy, which the Secretariat addressed. It was generally acknowledged that the proposals for the 2018 and 2019 programmes provided an appropriate level of funding support for the implementation of the TC activities, bearing in mind the 13% decrease in the funding for the biennium. The Secretariat thanked delegations for their positive comments and suggestions.

4.7 The Committee

- .1 noted the proposed indicative allocation of £10 million from the surplus of the Trading Fund to the TC Fund during the 2018-2019 biennium;
- .2 approved the allocation and use of £5,361,162 (equivalent¹ to \$6,969,510) and £4,638,839 (equivalent¹ to \$6,030,490) for the delivery of the ITCP during 2018 and 2019, respectively, subject to any adjustments which the Secretariat may have to make, on which it would eventually report to the Committee at its next session, as a result of:
 - .1 the final decisions of the Council and the Assembly as to the amount which will be allocated to the TC Fund; and
 - .2 the exchange rate between the pound and the dollar at the time when the funds are released and converted into dollars; and
- .3 requested the Secretariat to inform, to this end, the 118th session of the Council.

(b) Review and revision of the 2007 Strategy on the long-term financing of the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme

- 4.8 The Committee considered document TC 67/4(b) (Secretariat), which analysed the implementation of the 2007 Strategy on the long-term financing of the ITCP, including a historical overview of key revenue sources which have supported the ITCP implementation since 2007. The document also provided an analysis of any fluctuations within the donor patterns which could be attributed to the implementation of the 2007 Strategy on the long-term financing of the ITCP (SLTF), together with an evaluation of any obstacles or weaknesses which could have impeded the mobilization of further resources.
- 4.9 The Committee was informed that, since 2007, the pattern of donor funding had reflected the weaknesses in the structure of IMO's donor base and the parameters which drive the variations in revenue streams. While the TC Fund increased steadily during that time, bilateral arrangements, with lower values of financial support, showed a decline after 2009; and large-scale projects followed an unpredictable pattern of acute spikes and reductions. Some success could be perceived in the case of multi-donor trust funds (MDTFs), particularly after 2010, reflecting the ongoing efforts to place this funding modality at the forefront of IMO's SLTF.
- 4.10 The Committee was also informed that the TC Fund had remained the largest source of funding for the ITCP since 2002; however, it continues to rely almost entirely on the Trading Fund surplus for annual replenishment. This has provided a false sense of security by enabling the annual implementation of 45% to 50% of the ITCP core activities. The Trading Fund surplus

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Using the exchange rate of £1 equal to \$1.30.

is not forecast to grow over the next biennia, and additional risks have been identified as the increasing focus on electronic publications puts pressure on margins and volumes. The Trading Fund surplus is not expected to expand in the coming years to meet any additional technical cooperation demands and there will continue to be competing calls on the surplus generated.

- 4.11 While welcoming the objectives of the document on the SLTF and the proposal to prioritize the ITCP into core and outer tiers to ensure a results-based approach, a number of delegations who intervened emphasized the need for formulating a long-term strategy for resource mobilization.
- 4.12 The delegation of Norway, while acknowledging the value of the SLTF, highlighted the importance of funding small ad hoc projects and pledged NOK 1 million, to support the ITCP for 2017.
- 4.13 In conclusion, the Committee commended the Secretariat on the well-structured document and for its efforts to ensure the sustained financial viability of the ITCP and requested the Secretariat to develop a long-term resource mobilization strategy for submission to the Committee's sixty-eighth session. In this regard, Member States were requested to actively support new and innovative measures to ensure the sustainable financing of the ITCP.

(c) Sustainable financing and financial sustainability

- 4.14 The Committee noted the information contained in document TC 67/4(c) (Secretariat) on the status of voluntary and cash donations made to IMO's technical cooperation activities since the last session of the Committee and up to 31 May 2017.
- 4.15 The Committee was informed that contributions made to the multi-donor trust funds and through financial arrangements and cash contributions amounted to \$1,876,827 comprising of \$690,901 through the MDTFs, \$478,448 in cash contributions, and \$707,478 through various financial arrangements including the pledge referred to in the document which had since been received.
- 4.16 The Committee was further informed that the amount of contributions received since TC 66 was not as high as in previous years, which was the result of contributions received through large-scale projects having specific phased income streams, as well as cash donations which cannot be predicted from year to year and carry no expectation of continuation.
- 4.17 The delegation of Germany informed the Committee of two new pledges to support the MDTFs, namely, €40,000 to the IMO Malacca and Singapore Straits Trust Fund and €67,000 to the International Maritime Search and Rescue (SAR) Fund.
- 4.18 The Committee thanked Germany for its pledge and expressed its appreciation to all donors that had made contributions to the ITCP through various arrangements and encouraged Member States, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and industry to continue supporting IMO's technical cooperation activities.
- 4.19 The Committee noted with appreciation the proposal contained in document TC 67/4(c)/1 (Vanuatu) on ensuring the replenishment of the TC Fund, and therefore the sustainability of the ITCP, based on IMO current resources, suggesting an innovative way forward. In its proposal, Vanuatu suggested that any future developments in the Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) should be implemented with a view to making GISIS an income-generating tool for the sole benefit of the sustainability of the ITCP.

- 4.20 The proposal was made in view of the fact that data was becoming a potential income-generating asset in the global electronic exchange of information and data. In this regard, C 117 had decided that GISIS would continue to evolve, taking into account the strategic directions of the Organization, in providing the data platform for the capture, storage and retrieval of data for various purposes, including analysis to support decision-making processes.
- 4.21 In its submission, the delegation of Vanuatu recalled that, as part of the ongoing reform of GISIS, the Secretariat was tasked, by C 117, to analyse the features of the current public registered IMO web accounts (approximately 210 public registrations with access to the public area of GISIS) with a view to determining the frequency of use, the consulted data and type, as well as the possibility of assessing the GISIS user experience with the intention of enhancing quality of data uploaded into the GISIS modules.
- 4.22 The submission from Vanuatu generated numerous interventions with various views on the advantages and disadvantages of the proposal. Some delegations expressed reservations on the idea to commercialize GISIS data, citing concerns about the impact on Member States. It was pointed out that monetizing the GISIS data could erode the benefit of GISIS to Member States.
- 4.23 Some delegations suggested that further study was needed on the proposal, including a study on the quality of the data, the IT infrastructure required to complement the proposal, the cost to the Organization, intellectual property issues, the sustainability of the proposal and further thoughts to ensure that the proposal did not create difficulties for Member States when accessing critical information on maritime safety and security.
- 4.24 A number of delegations suggested that the Secretariat should explore further how to take this proposal forward and refer it to the Legal Committee and the Legal Affairs and External Relations Division for advice. The Committee further suggested that a detailed analysis should be carried out by the Secretariat on the viability of the proposal in terms of cost to enhance GISIS infrastructure and the revenue expected to be made from the sale of GISIS data. This should be done taking into account the ongoing study on data and knowledge management.
- 4.25 The Secretary-General informed the Committee that the Secretariat had established a function on data change management to look into the current system in terms of data management and data collection from Member States and how data could be used for the rule-making process.
- 4.26 In summing up, the Chair referred to the numerous interventions on this agenda item, in which all the speakers had commended Vanuatu for its innovative idea. The Committee appreciated the concept to replenish the TC Fund through an innovative, flexible and predictable income stream and noted that the proposal offered a financial opportunity that was worth exploring further.
- 4.27 In conclusion, the Committee requested the Secretariat to look into the proposal by Vanuatu, taking into account the comments made by the delegations and provide an analysis of the users, financial viability and legal aspects to TC 68, within the context of the wider strategy on resource mobilization.

5 THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

(a) Maritime transport policy development

- 5.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/5(a) (Secretariat) on the work undertaken by the Secretariat to enhance assistance to Member States in the formulation of National Maritime Transport Policies (NMTPs) through the development of a maritime transport policy training package which had been tested and assessed via the delivery of a number of pilot national and regional workshops and seminars.
- 5.2 The Committee noted that the training package, which aims at providing beneficiaries with the required knowledge and skills necessary to prepare, review and adopt maritime transport policies, had recently been finalized and would be translated into the three working languages of IMO to enable delivery of maritime transport policy training activities in other languages to interested Member States. It also noted that the Secretariat, in close cooperation with WMU, which developed the training package, was in the process of producing a short video aimed at senior government officials to raise awareness at the political level on the importance and usefulness of NMTPs for a country's maritime, social and economic development.
- 5.3 Several delegations expressed their appreciation for the work of IMO related to the development, adoption and updating of NMTPs and the training activities delivered thus far. Some delegations of Member States who had already benefited from these activities commended IMO and WMU on the effective delivery of the training which not only enabled them to raise significant awareness of the need and benefits of an NMTP but also to make progress with regard to the development of their NMTPs.
- Delegations also welcomed the Secretariat's proactive approach with respect to the development of the training material and the proposed production of a short video to promote and advocate the development and adoption of NMTPs, particularly at the political level. Some delegations enquired whether the short video would be made available to the membership. In this regard, one delegation commented that the video would be a useful tool to encourage government officials to engage prior to the delivery of a training activity, and stressed the importance of following up the delivery of the training activities to assess the related development of the NMTP. The Secretariat assured the Committee that the video would be made available to Member States as a tool to promote the importance of NMTPs.
- 5.5 The Secretariat was urged to continue delivering maritime transport policy related technical assistance activities and, in this respect, many delegations expressed interest in benefiting from such assistance. In response, the Secretariat informed the Committee that Member States interested in technical assistance relating to NMTPs should put forward their requests in writing to the Director of the Technical Cooperation Division, or reflect the same in their CMPs.
- 5.6 The Committee noted the activities undertaken by the Secretariat to assist Member States in the development of NMTPs and its plans to further promote these activities.

(b) Country Maritime Profiles

5.7 The Committee considered document TC 67/5(b) (Secretariat), which provided an update on developments relating to CMPs as of 15 May 2017. The Committee noted that 54.86% of the total IMO Member States/Associate Members had completed their CMP records in GISIS, an increase of 4.57% compared to last year's figures. It also noted that 46.59% of the completed records in 2016 were updated, which showed a 10.69% increase compared to last year's figures.

- The Committee was informed that the analysis of the CMP entries showed a certain amount of ambiguity. Moreover, the CMP module was not currently capturing certain information such as that on facilitation of maritime traffic, piracy, maritime security status and/or the related technical assistance needs. It was highlighted that the CMP module needed to be restructured and redesigned in a way to serve as an expert system in analysing the information recorded by Member States/Associate Members, taking into consideration the SDGs, while ensuring that the recorded data was kept updated.
- 5.9 The Committee was further informed that the Secretariat had requested WMU to draw up a proposal to review, revise, restructure and redesign the CMP module to ensure its user-friendliness, effectiveness, efficient data populating and updating from publicly available sources.
- 5.10 The delegations that spoke highlighted the importance of the CMP and welcomed the Secretariat's engagement of WMU to redesign and further develop the CMP module. One delegation reiterated its request to ensure that the CMP module allows for separate records for overseas and dependent territories of Member States. Another delegation suggested that the CMP module should include an interactive platform to enable Member States to view the available technical assistance.
- 5.11 The Committee noted the current situation of the CMP module, and the intention of the Secretariat to furnish the Committee at its sixty-eighth session with an update on the revision of the CMP module, and urged those Member States who had not yet completed their CMP records to do so as soon as possible, and reminded those who had done so to update them regularly.
- (c) Related developments within the United Nations system
- (d) Linkage with IMO's technical assistance work
- 5.12 The Committee had before it documents TC 67/5(c) and TC 67/5(d) (Secretariat) on the linkage between IMO's technical assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and related recent developments within the United Nations system.
- 5.13 Document TC 67/5(d) provided a summary of key points relating to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in September 2015, and the 17 SDGs and 169 supporting targets contained within. The document also summarized the discussions at IMO to date in relation to the SDGs, including the development of the Strategic Framework for 2018-2023 and the preliminary linkage between IMO's technical assistance work and the SDGs which took place at TC 66 and at the TC/ISWG 2.
- 5.14 The document laid out a proposed linkage between IMO's technical assistance work and the SDGs in the form of a table which identified those SDGs with particular relevance to IMO's work. While it was noted that all SDGs have some connection with IMO's mandate, those deemed by the Committee to be most relevant were: SDGs 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 13, 14 and 17.
- 5.15 The document further proposed a draft Assembly resolution on the linkages between IMO's technical assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (annex 2), to be submitted to the 118th session of the Council and the thirtieth session of the Assembly.
- 5.16 Document TC 67/5(c) updated the Committee on related developments within the United Nations system, including the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development (Ocean Conference), held at

the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 5 to 9 June 2017, and attended by IMO with a delegation headed by the Secretary-General. The Conference resulted in a Call for Action, affirming a strong commitment to SDG 14, noting the contribution of the ocean to sustainable development and sustainable ocean-based economies, and the need to integrate SDG 14 and its targets into national development plans and strategies. The Ocean Conference also highlighted the role of the Blue Economy and its close connection with SDG 14. The delegation of Jamaica provided further information to the Committee on the side event co-organized by IMO and Jamaica on "Partnerships in Practice – Catalysing shipping sector transformation towards SDG 14", which showcased two successful joint initiatives between IMO and industry partners, namely the GloBallast and GloMEEP projects.

- 5.17 The Committee noted that at the Ocean Conference, the Secretary-General spoke at two high-level side events: "UN-Oceans: Supporting the implementation of the ocean-related targets in the 2030 Agenda" and the "Launch of The SDGs Exploring Maritime Opportunities report" by the Norwegian Shipowners' Association.
- 5.18 The delegations who spoke commended the TC/ISWG 2 and the Secretariat for the work carried out on the linkage between the Organization's technical assistance work and the SDGs and for the clear, comprehensive and valuable document. The delegations expressed support for the linkage proposed. A number of delegations highlighted the interconnectedness of the SDGs and the importance of global cooperation in the achievement of the SDGs.
- 5.19 Two delegations stated that they had submitted a document to the 118th session of the Council for discussion the following week, to follow up on the progress made on the subject of the SDGs both at the TC/ISWG 2 and at this session of the Committee.
- 5.20 One delegation requested a minor modification to paragraph 6 of the draft Assembly resolution on the Linkages between IMO's technical assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was accepted by the Committee, and is reflected in the draft resolution as attached in annex 2.
- 5.21 While noting the importance of shipping in poverty reduction, another delegation requested clarification about the correct figure for the percentage of trade carried by international shipping, and pointed out that the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) uses the figure of 90% of world trade, with 2.2% of global GHG emissions. In response, the Secretariat stated that different sources of data, such as the UNCTAD Review of Maritime Transport, gave slightly different percentages, depending on whether the measure was by volume or weight. The Committee agreed that, for consistency, the figure of 90% of world trade should be cited in IMO documents.

5.22 The Committee:

- .1 considered and approved the proposed linkages between IMO's technical assistance work and the SDGs;
- .2 recommended the circulation of annex 1 as a TC resolution, in order to promote a better appreciation of the contribution of the maritime sector and the role of technical assistance work in the achievement of the SDGs; and
- endorsed, with the minor modification noted above, the draft Assembly resolution on the Linkages between IMO's technical assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and requested the Secretariat to forward it to the Council for its consideration at its 118th session the following week, with a view to submission to the Assembly at its thirtieth session for adoption.

(e) Revision of the Assembly resolutions relating to technical cooperation

- 5.23 The Committee considered document TC 67/5(e) (Secretariat) on the Revision of the Assembly resolutions relating to technical cooperation which streamlined seven previous technical cooperation-related resolutions into two draft resolutions, taking into account the precepts of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Organization's related responsibilities for supporting the implementation of the SDGs. Both draft resolutions were discussed at TC/ISWG 2.
- 5.24 The streamlined draft resolutions are the guiding principles of IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (annex 3), which also includes a table summarizing the ITCP's strategic and implementation principles and the financing and partnership arrangements for an effective and sustainable ITCP (annex 4).
- 5.25 Two delegations suggested minor amendments to the two draft Assembly resolutions, but the Committee did not agree with the proposed amendments.

5.26 The Committee:

- .1 endorsed the draft Assembly resolution on the guiding principles of IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) in support of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development (annex 3);
- .2 endorsed the draft Assembly resolution on the financing and partnership arrangements for an effective and sustainable ITCP (annex 4); and
- .3 requested the Secretariat to forward the above two draft Assembly resolutions under consideration to the Council, at its 118th session, the following week, with a view to submission to the Assembly at its thirtieth session for adoption.

6 PARTNERSHIPS

(a) Regional presence and coordination

- 6.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/6(a) (Secretariat), which reported on the technical assistance delivered through the Regional Presence Scheme in Africa, East Asia and the Caribbean, and particularly the role played by the Regional Coordinators and the Regional Maritime Adviser for the Caribbean in their collective efforts towards the delivery of ITCP activities in their respective regions.
- 6.2 Many delegations who spoke commended the Secretariat for the document and expressed appreciation for the role the Regional Coordinators and the Regional Maritime Adviser continue to play in the delivery of ITCP activities in the regions. The delegations further urged the Secretariat to continue to strengthen the Regional Presence Scheme because of its value addition in technical assistance work of the Organization.
- 6.3 Delegations of the host countries for the Regional Presence Scheme reiterated their continued commitment and support in hosting the Scheme. The delegation of the Republic of Kenya, while reiterating the importance of the Regional Presence Office for eastern and southern Africa based in Nairobi, urged the Secretariat to urgently recruit a permanent regional coordinator for that region.

- 6.4 The Committee noted the information contained in document TC 67/6(a), in particular, the efforts of the Regional Coordinators in Africa and East Asia and the Regional Maritime Adviser in the Caribbean in supporting the Member States in their efforts towards ratification and universal application of IMO instruments and capacity building.
- 6.5 The Committee expressed its appreciation to the host countries of the IMO Regional Presence Scheme, namely, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Kenya, the Philippines, and Trinidad and Tobago, for their continued financial and in-kind contributions to support the scheme.

(b) Partnership arrangements

- 6.6 The Committee considered document TC 67/6(b) (Secretariat), which provided a status report on two aspects of partnership arrangements: firstly, the delivery of technical assistance with the support of partnerships; and secondly, the progress made on the implementation of resolution A.965(23) on the *Development and improvement of partnership arrangements for technical co-operation*.
- 6.7 The Committee noted that as of 30 April 2017, seventy partnerships were in operation, 42 of which had been concluded with Member States and Associate Members and 28 of which had been made with international organizations, regional institutions and industry.
- 6.8 The Committee was informed of a new initiative launched under the GEF-UNDP-IMO Global Maritime Energy Efficiency Project (GloMEEP). The Global Industry Alliance (GIA) is a public-private partnership initiative which is aimed at helping shipping to make its contribution towards GHG reduction and the mitigation of climate change, a key target for the United Nations under its SDGs. The outcomes of the activities of this partnership are expected to benefit the developing countries in their capacity building and implementation efforts in the area of MARPOL Annex VI. The Committee noted that the GIA model represents a significant milestone for IMO with respect to public sector-private industry partnerships.
- 6.9 The Committee further noted the six information documents submitted under this agenda item and thanked the authors of these documents. Document TC 67/INF.2 (International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)) reported on the work done by the IHO for the benefit of IMO Member States that are not members of the IHO, in support of fulfilling their obligations in relation to SOLAS chapter V and invited IMO to consider working with the IHO to support its Member States to develop their capability to provide hydrographic services in support of the safety of navigation. Document TC 67/INF.4 (Pacific Community (SPC)) reported on the current status of maritime development of the Pacific Island Countries and Territories and the outcome of the Third Pacific Regional Energy and Transport Ministers' meeting held in Nuku'alofa, Tonga, from 24 to 28 April 2017. Document TC 67/INF.8 (China) reported on the activities conducted or sponsored by China under the ITCP. Document TC 67/INF.10 (Malaysia) reported on the activities conducted and sponsored by Malaysia under the ITCP during 2016-2017. Document TC 67/INF.11 (Chile) reported on the ITCP activities implemented by the Maritime Authority of Chile. Document TC 67/INF.14 (Egypt and the League of Arab States (LAS)) reported on activities undertaken under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IMO, Egypt and the Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AASTMT).
- 6.10 A number of delegations provided additional information regarding the events they had hosted, supported or benefitted from, within the framework of partnership arrangements on technical cooperation.

6.11 The Committee expressed its appreciation to all technical cooperation partners for their financial contributions and in-kind support to the delivery of the ITCP activities. Noting that outcomes achieved through partnership assistance contributed substantially to the effective delivery of ITCP activities, the Committee was informed that the Secretariat would continue its efforts to identify new partnership arrangements with governments, international and regional organizations and industry, with a view to securing additional funding and obtaining in-kind support to promote the implementation of the ITCP.

7 VOLUNTARY IMO MEMBER STATE AUDIT SCHEME AND IMO MEMBER STATE AUDIT SCHEME

(a) Analysis of the consolidated audit summary reports of the Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme

- 7.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/7(a) (Secretariat) which provided an analysis of the consolidated audit summary reports of the Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme (VIMSAS). The analysis identified five major areas of recurrent audit findings, which were: flag State surveyors, delegation of authority, initial actions/legislation, implementation and enforcement. The analysis also found that States which encountered difficulties might not have established a system for analysing and integrating newly adopted amendments into their national legislation. Apparent unavailability of qualified personnel to assist in the promulgation of the necessary national legislation was also identified as a factor, although it was noted that many of the countries audited did have IMLI graduates, who could provide a valuable resource of qualified legal experts in assisting Governments in the promulgation of national legislation.
- 7.2 The delegations that spoke agreed with the observation that the enactment of national legislation to implement IMO Conventions was a challenge faced by many countries. IALA pointed out that this was also the case in terms of the requirements of SOLAS Chapter V and reiterated its offer to cooperate with IMO to ensure the proper implementation of these requirements.
- 7.3 In response to comments from delegations, the Committee was informed that, as part of IMO's capacity building in maritime legislation, an interactive workshop on the general principles of drafting national legislation to implement IMO conventions is scheduled to be held at IMO Headquarters in September 2017 for those Member States which were first scheduled for audit under IMSAS. In reply to a query raised by one delegation, the Secretariat informed the Committee that this workshop was the first of its kind and it was hoped to jointly organize future similar events with IMLI.
- 7.4 The Committee noted that, in order to provide target-specific technical assistance under the ITCP, Member States may wish to authorize the provision of audit reports to the Technical Cooperation Division and input the relevant aspect of the audit reports in their CMPs, with specific detail to allow for proper evaluation of the nature of technical assistance that may be required.

(b) Developments with respect to IMO Member State Audit Scheme

7.5 The Committee noted the information provided in document TC 67/7(b) (Secretariat) on the status of implementation of the global programme on VIMSAS and IMSAS as well as the related activities delivered since the last session of the Committee. The Committee was informed that, since IMO started delivering training courses for auditors and maritime administrators under the ITCP in 2006, a total number of 1,084 individuals from 154 countries had been trained through 56 activities worldwide.

- 7.6 The Committee further noted the information provided in documents TC 67/7(b)/1 (Bolivia) and TC 67/INF.5 (SPC).
- 7.7 The delegation of the Netherlands pledged to contribute €20,000 to the TC Fund for use by the global programme on IMSAS.
- 7.8 The Chair, in summarizing the deliberations, invited the Committee to note that the introduction of the mandatory IMSAS would lead to an increase of ad hoc requests for technical assistance, which inevitably would require an increase of the overall size of the ITCP, and of the funds necessary to deliver as per the expectations of Member States. The Committee thus urged Member States, organizations and the industry to consider making further contributions to the ITCP in general and to the IMSAS global programme in particular.

8 CAPACITY BUILDING: STRENGTHENING THE IMPACT OF WOMEN IN THE MARITIME SECTOR

8.1 The Committee decided, in view of the limited time available, to consider this agenda item at its next session, within the framework of rule 13 of its revised Rules of Procedure, and in this respect requested the Secretariat to update document TC 67/8 and submit it as a document for the next session.

9 GLOBAL MARITIME TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

(a) World Maritime University

- 9.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/9(a) (Secretariat), which summarized key points of the main activities undertaken by WMU during 2016, related to governance, financial matters, academic developments, partnerships, research and consultancies, and international conferences. The Committee was also informed that documentation relating to the annual report of the WMU Governing Board, WMU budget, and proposed amendments to the WMU Charter was available under Council documents C 118/12(a), C 118/12(b) and C 118/12(c), respectively.
- 9.2 Several delegations noted with satisfaction the activities undertaken by WMU and commended the WMU President for her proactive and dynamic leadership. The Committee also recognized and appreciated the efforts and dedication of the WMU staff. Some delegations also noted with satisfaction the increased intake of female students to WMU's MSc courses in Malmö.
- 9.3 The Committee welcomed the announcements from the delegations of the Netherlands and Malaysia who pledged €100,000 for the provision of WMU fellowships through IMO and \$20,000 for the upgrading of the University's facilities, respectively. It also noted with appreciation the information provided by the delegation of Thailand regarding a contribution of \$42,500 made to WMU in early 2017.
- 9.4 The Secretary-General noted with satisfaction the various positive developments at WMU and thanked Member States, the shipping industry and regional organizations for their support through the provision of financial or in-kind contributions. In particular, the Secretary-General expressed his appreciation to the host government of Sweden and the City of Malmö for their continued support and, especially, for providing new office space adjacent to the new WMU premises.

- 9.5 The Committee considered document TC 67/9(a)/1 (Secretariat), which provided background information on the WMU Branches and, more specifically, on their development following the invitation which was issued by IMO to Member States and their training institutions in August 1989, which resulted in designating 14 institutions as WMU Branches.
- 9.6 The Committee was informed that there had been virtually no interaction between WMU and the Branches, to the extent that the notion of a WMU Branch was no longer operational and any partnership with WMU required comprehensive redesigning. This issue was initially acknowledged by the WMU Board of Governors in 2015, when it considered the criteria for partnership development within the context of the Study on the Financial Sustainability of WMU. The WMU Board of Governors, at its thirty-fifth session held on 1 June 2017, further recommended that the attention of the Technical Cooperation Committee be drawn to the fact that this issue remained a concern to WMU and needed to be resolved.
- 9.7 Taking into consideration the information provided to the Committee and bearing in mind that training institutions continued to express interest in being designated a WMU Branch, it was proposed to place a moratorium on all WMU Branches, pending the development of a replacement partnership framework. It was noted that central to the development of a new platform would be measures to safeguard the global recognition attributed to WMU's academic standards and the perception, by governments and industry alike, of the state-of-the-art level of academic teaching and training facilities made available to students at WMU.
- 9.8 The Committee was invited to consider the need for a new platform of collaboration, to be developed in line with the overall partnership criteria that WMU applies with other universities, in order to meet the University's current strategic directions.
- 9.9 Whilst recognising that the steps taken by IMO in 1989 to establish the WMU Branches were perhaps appropriate at the time, several delegations supported the proposals contained in document TC 67/9(a)/1. It was noted that, in order to preserve the credibility and global reputation of WMU, there was a need to explore the possibility of establishing new modes of collaboration with academic and training institutions through, for example, the use of MoUs. In this regard, one delegation stated that WMU should be given the mandate to sign relevant MoUs with such institutions and that these institutions would bear any expense which might be incurred to determine their academic standards.
- 9.10 The Committee, in connection with WMU:
 - .1 noted the summary of activities undertaken by WMU during the calendar year 2016 and, in particular, welcomed the partnership agreement between WMU and IMLI on a new joint Master of Philosophy (MPhil) programme in International Maritime Law and Ocean Policy being launched in 2017 and the creation of two new specializations targeted at addressing a number of SDGs;
 - .2 commended the University's initiatives to develop research and consultancy projects which should generate significant income and thus assist the future financial sustainability of the institution;
 - urged, once more, Member States to take action so as to enable recognition, under their national legislation, of the degrees conferred by WMU and, to inform the Organization accordingly;

- .4 strongly urged Member States and shipping industry stakeholders to contact WMU to establish what they could offer, in terms of equipment and facilities, for its academic facilities:
- .5 expressed its appreciation to those Member States and donors who had contributed and pledged further contributions to the University in cash or in kind, including allocations to the WMU Endowment Fund, and urged Member States and shipping industry stakeholders to provide financial contributions to the University and to its Endowment Fund;
- .6 agreed on a moratorium on all existing WMU Branches, and the immediate cessation of the use of the term "WMU Branch" in any form; and
- .7 requested the Secretariat to work with the WMU President and with the University's governing bodies in the development of a new partnership structure with other training institutions, for consideration by the Committee at its sixty-eighth session.
- 9.11 The delegations of Brazil and Chile reserved their position on the Committee's decision regarding the immediate cessation of the use of the term "WMU Branch" in any form and requested that their statements be annexed to this report (annex 9).
- 9.12 The Committee also noted the information provided in document TC 67/INF.7 (Peru) on the World Maritime University Regional Alumni Conference for the Americas scheduled to be held in Lima, Peru, from 23 to 25 October 2017.

(b) IMO International Maritime Law Institute

- 9.13 The Committee noted the report of IMLI for the academic year 2016/2017, provided under document TC 67/9(b) (Secretariat), which included key updates on the Institute's governance and management; programme enrolments and outcomes; and financial matters. The Committee was informed that documentation relating to the report of the IMLI Governing Board and the IMLI budget was available under Council documents C 118/13(a) and C 118/13(b), respectively.
- 9.14 Several delegations noted with satisfaction the activities undertaken by IMLI and commended the IMLI Director for his robust and forward-looking leadership and efforts to ensure the Institute's performance and financial stability. The Committee also recognized and appreciated the efforts and dedication of the IMLI staff.
- 9.15 The Committee noted with appreciation the pledge by Malaysia to contribute €50,000 towards the upgrading of the Institute's Lecture Hall.
- 9.16 The Secretary-General noted with satisfaction the achievements and positive developments at IMLI and thanked Member States, regional organizations and shipping industry stakeholders, particularly the Nippon Foundation, for their support through the provision of cash or in-kind contributions. The Secretary-General also expressed his deep appreciation to the host Government of Malta for its continued support. Finally, the Secretary-General informed the Committee that, upon recommendation of the IMLI Governing Board, the contract of the IMLI Director was recently further extended for a period of two years, effective April 2018 until June 2020.

9.17 The Committee, in relation to IMLI:

- noted the summary of activities undertaken by IMLI during the academic year 2016/2017 and in, particular, the launching of the new specialized post-graduate programme leading to the Degree of Master of Humanities (MHum) in International Maritime Legislation, as well as the launching of two degree programmes, namely, a Master of Science (MSc) programme in International Maritime Law and Logistics (IMLLog), to be delivered jointly with Kühne Logistics University (KLU) based in Hamburg, and a Master of Philosophy (MPhil) programme in International Maritime Law and Ocean Policy, to be delivered jointly with WMU;
- .2 noted with satisfaction and appreciation the Institute's fruitful partnership with the Nippon Foundation during the last 13 academic years and the Foundation's generous contribution through the provision of additional scholarships and teaching posts at the Institute;
- .3 urged, once more, Member States to take action so as to enable recognition, under their national legislation, of the degrees conferred by IMLI and, to that end, keep the Organization informed of developments;
- .4 strongly urged Member States, intergovernmental organizations and shipping industry stakeholders to make voluntary financial and in-kind contributions to IMLI; and
- .5 expressed its appreciation to those donors who had contributed through financial and in-kind support to the Institute and to Malaysia for its pledged contribution towards the upgrading of IMLI's Lecture Hall.

(c) Other established arrangements

- 9.18 The Committee noted the information provided in document TC 67/9(c) (Secretariat), on long-standing partnership arrangements with maritime training institutions, namely the International Maritime Safety, Security and Environment Academy (IMSSEA) and the Institut Portuaire d'Enseignement et de Recherche du Havre (IPER) in collaboration with the Grand Port Maritime du Havre, for the delivery of a number of short-term training courses during 2016, through the provision of IMO fellowships to developing countries.
- 9.19 The delegations that spoke commended both Institutions for the high quality training provided through their courses and highlighted the importance of these short term training programmes which were complimentary to the long term courses provided by WMU and IMLI and which have filled an important training gap.
- 9.20 With respect to IMSSEA, some delegations supported the request of the Academy for IMO to consider utilising its services in the delivery of relevant ITCP training activities. Regarding IPER, one delegation highlighted the limited opportunities for short term training in the French language for francophone countries and expressed the wish to increase the related IMO fellowships. Concerns were also raised regarding the issuance and cost of entry visas for the participants who have secured a place on these courses, and relevant Authorities were urged to facilitate the process.

9.21 Whilst highlighting the value of short-term training as well as the importance of collaboration with the port industry, the Secretary-General expressed his sincere appreciation to both institutions for delivering short-term training courses which are valued by the participants and recognized by the membership for their effectiveness.

10 IMPACT ASSESSMENT EXERCISE

(a) Follow-up to the exercise for the period 2012-2015

Follow-up to the exercise for the period 2012-2015

- 10.1 The Committee had before it three documents relating to the follow-up to the exercise for the period 2012-2015. Document TC 67/10(a) (Secretariat) provided the Secretariat's comments on the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the report of the Impact Assessment Exercise (IAE) for the period 2012-2015 (TC 66/10). Document TC 67/10(a) had also been discussed by the TC/ISWG 2. Document TC 67/10(a)/1 (Republic of Korea) proposed the need to discuss the issue of regularizing education and training under the ITCP by establishing IMO regional training and education centres. Document TC 67/10(a)/2 (Republic of Korea) offered comments on document TC 67/10(a).
- 10.2 The Committee recalled that, at its sixty-sixth session in October 2016, it had requested the Secretariat to come back at this, the Committee's sixty-seventh session, with comments and recommendations on the report by the external consultants on the IAE for the period 2012-2015. The Secretariat welcomed the consultants' overall conclusions that the ITCP delivered between 2012 and 2015 had generally been effective, relevant and sustainable, and agreed with the consultants that there was room for improvement.
- 10.3 The Secretariat observed that the 21 recommendations contained in document TC 66/10 could be categorized under four main categories: invest in technology, enrich the programme, reach out, and monitor and evaluate the ITCP. Of those 21 recommendations, the Secretariat noted that five could be implemented directly by the Secretariat; eight required no action because they were either already being implemented or were outside the mandate of IMO; six had budgetary implications which required further analysis, and; two required action from Member States.
- 10.4 The delegations who spoke commended the work done by TC/ISWG 2 and thanked the Secretariat for the document and the analysis contained therein, and highlighted several recommendations which they felt were especially important. One delegation requested the Secretariat to inform the Committee at TC 68 on the status of implementation of the recommendations.
- 10.5 The Committee requested the Secretariat to implement the five recommendations that had no budgetary implications and to analyse and estimate the costs of the six recommendations which had budgetary implications. The Committee further requested the Secretariat to follow up with WMU to revise and restructure the CMP template module, as was noted under agenda item 5(b).

Proposal on the need for discussion on regularizing the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme on education and training

10.6 The Committee noted the information provided by the Republic of Korea in document TC 67/10(a)/1 on the proposal for the need for discussion on regularizing the ITCP on education and training and thanked the Republic of Korea for the proposal.

- 10.7 All delegations who spoke expressed their appreciation to the Republic of Korea for the document and for their initiative in making education and training under the ITCP more effective and noted their appreciation for the "outside the box" thinking shown in this document. A number of delegations expressed concern about the resources required for the proposed training centres and the effect this could have on the existing ITCP programmes. Most delegations urged caution when considering a project which would require a significant financial investment, especially given the issue of the sustainable financing of the ITCP, which had been discussed earlier under agenda item 4. Some delegations questioned the practicality of building regional training centres, especially in regions where countries were dispersed geographically, while others suggested that it might make more sense to look at how to better use the existing infrastructure related to training and how to create new synergies, rather than setting out to build an entirely new system.
- 10.8 The Committee could not support the proposal in its current form, but invited the Republic of Korea to consider submitting a document at TC 68, taking on board all the comments and reservations expressed by the Committee.

Comment on document TC 67/10(a)

10.9 In view of the fact that document TC 67/10(a)/2 on Comments on document TC 67/10(a) (Republic of Korea) had been published late, the Committee agreed to consider this document at TC 68, in order to allow delegations time for full consideration of the document.

(b) Matters relating to future exercises

Matters relating to future exercises

- 10.10 The Committee considered document TC 67/10(b) (Secretariat) on Matters relating to future exercises. The Committee was reminded that, following a recommendation of the external auditors in 2014, the IAE had been overseen by the Internal Oversight and Ethics Office (IOEO) of IMO. That recommendation was made on the grounds that, under IMO Financial Regulations, the IOEO is mandated to determine the efficiency, effectiveness, relevance, impact and sustainability of the Organization's programmes, projects and activities as measured against their stated goals and objectives, to provide recommendations for corrective measures for the improvement of programme delivery and effectiveness and to ensure feedback of evaluation findings into programming and operations.
- 10.11 The Committee was informed that since the IOEO delivered its evaluation function in accordance with the established Financial Regulations rather than the Rules of Operation of the TC Fund, it was the view of the Secretariat that the work of the IAE should no longer be funded by the TC Fund, but rather should come under the IOEO budget. This was also considered an opportunity to expand the scope of the IAE so as to evaluate the entire ITCP, not just the portion funded by the TC Fund, as well as relevant technical assistance projects outside the scope of the ITCP. This would also necessitate a change to the Rules of Operation of the TC Fund, by deleting operative paragraph 16.
- 10.12 A number of delegations expressed concern about deleting paragraph 16 of the Rules of Operation of the TC Fund, as it covered both the funding of and reporting on the IAE, and they wanted to keep the requirement for regular assessment of the ITCP. Some delegations felt it would be better to separate the assessment of the ITCP from funding by the TC Fund, while other delegations felt this was not an issue and expressed concern about transferring the funding of the IAE to the Regular Budget of the Organization.

10.13 After extensive discussions and clarifications by the Secretariat, the Committee decided not to change the Rules of Operation of the TC Fund, and noted that the proposed changes might also put a burden on the Regular Budget. The Committee noted that the IAE would continue to take place every four years and that the IOEO might still decide to evaluate some parts of the Organization's technical assistance work under its general oversight function.

11 DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE ORGANIZATION FOR 2018-2023

11.1 The Committee decided, in view of the limited time available, to consider this agenda item at its next session, within the framework of rule 13 of its revised Rules of Procedure, and in this respect requested the Secretariat to update document TC 67/11 and submit it as a document for the next session.

12 APPLICATION OF THE COMMITTEE'S GUIDELINES

- 12.1 The Committee considered document TC 67/12 (Secretariat) which contained the proposed draft revised *Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the Technical Cooperation Committee* aligning them with the provisions of Assembly resolution A.1099(29).
- 12.2 The Committee was informed that Assembly resolution A.1099(29) requested the Council and the committees to review and revise their Guidelines for the organization and method of their work, taking into account the document on *Application of the Strategic Plan and the High-level Action Plan of the Organization*, as appropriate.
- 12.3 The Committee was further informed that nothing in those Guidelines could prohibit the Committee from taking immediate action on urgent matters if the risk of not acting would adversely affect the Organization's ability to meet its objectives.
- 12.4 The Committee approved the annex to document TC 67/12 and the amendments as the Committee's new document on the *Organization and method of work*, and requested the Secretariat to issue the new document in the form of a TC circular.

13 WORK PROGRAMME

- 13.1 The Committee, for the purpose of efficient monitoring and reporting, and in line with its new document on the *Organization and method of work*, examined the information provided in documents TC 67/13 and TC 67/13/1 (Secretariat), respectively, and approved the Technical Cooperation Committee (TCC) biennial status report of the 2016-2017 biennium, as set out in annex 5, and the substantive items for inclusion in the provisional agenda for the Committee for the period 2018 to 2021, as set out in annex 6.
- 13.2 The Committee approved the proposed outputs of the Technical Cooperation Committee for the 2018-2019 biennium aligned to the new Strategic Directions as approved by C 117, as set out in annex 7, and requested the Secretariat to review the outputs, taking into account the outcomes of this session, in particular with regard to any proposals for new outputs or redrafting of the existing, and to submit them to C 118.

14 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2018

14.1 Pursuant to the provisions of rule 18 of its revised Rules of Procedure, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Zulkurnain Ayub (Malaysia), as its Chair and Mr. Laurent Parenté (Vanuatu) as its Vice-Chair for 2018.

15 AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMITTEE

- 15.1 The Committee considered documents TC 67/15 and TC 67/WP.2 (Secretariat) on the draft revised Rules of Procedures of the Technical Cooperation Committee. The Committee recalled that, at its 116th session, the Council had agreed to harmonize the terms of office in the Rules of Procedure of all committees and sub-committees; limit the total term of office of the Chair and Vice-Chair to five years in office; and establish the use of the new gender-neutral term "Chair" in the Rules of Procedure of the committees. Accordingly, the Rules of Procedure of the Committee had been revised for approval by this session of the Committee.
- 15.2 The Committee approved, as amended, the Rules of Procedure of the Technical Cooperation Committee as set out in TC 67/WP.2 and requested the Secretariat to circulate them through a TC circular.

16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Eighteenth session of the Asia-Pacific Heads of Maritime Safety Agencies forum

16.1 The Committee noted the information provided by Australia in document TC 67/INF.6 in relation to the outcome of the 18th session of the Asia-Pacific Heads of Maritime Safety Agencies (APHoMSA) forum, which was held in Langkawi, Malaysia, from 20 to 24 March 2017. It was also noted that Chile would host the 19th session of APHoMSA in April 2018, while the Republic of Korea would host the 20th session in 2019 and Canada would host the 21st session in 2020.

Third Conference of the Association of African Maritime Administrations (AAMA)

16.2 The Committee noted the information provided by Angola, Benin, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania in document TC 67/INF.13 in relation to the outcome of the Association's third conference which was held in Abuja, Nigeria, from 19 to 21 April 2017 and the communiqué issued at the end of the conference. It was also noted that Egypt would host the fourth conference of the Association in April 2018.

Date and place of the next session

- 16.3 The Committee noted that its next session had been tentatively scheduled to take place at IMO Headquarters from Monday, 18 to Wednesday, 20 June 2018.
- 16.4 One delegation, supported by others, requested the Committee to approve, for future sessions of the TCC, the allocation of three full meeting days, with interpretation, to allow the Committee sufficient time to discuss all items on its agenda.
- 16.5 The Committee agreed that two and a half days was not sufficient and decided to invite the Council to consider approving three full meeting days, with interpretation.

17 ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COUNCIL

17.1 The Council is invited to:

- .1 note the summary of the Committee's report on its sixty-seventh session (C 118/10/Add.1), in particular, the Committee's approval of the ITCP for 2018-2019, the Committee's outputs for 2018-2019 and its new document on the *Organization and method of work*; and comment and give such guidance to the Committee as it deems appropriate;
- .2 approve the allocation and use of £5,361,162 (equivalent² to \$6,969,510) and £4,638,839 (equivalent² to \$6,030,490) to support the delivery of the ITCP during 2018 and 2019, respectively³;
- .3 consider the draft Assembly resolution on the linkages between IMO's technical assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with a view to submission to the Assembly at its thirtieth session for adoption (annex 2);
- .4 consider the draft Assembly resolution on the guiding principles of IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with a view to submission to the Assembly at its thirtieth session for adoption (annex 3);
- .5 consider the draft Assembly resolution on the financing and partnership arrangements for an effective and sustainable ITCP, with a view to submission to the Assembly at its thirtieth session for adoption (annex 4);
- .6 approve, for future sessions of TCC, the allocation of three full meeting days, with interpretation, to allow the Committee sufficient time to discuss all items under its agenda; and
- .7 authorize the Secretary-General to transmit the report of the Committee's sixty-seventh session to the thirtieth session of the Assembly, in accordance with Article 21(b) of the IMO Convention.

² Using the exchange rate of £1 equal to \$1.30.

Subject to any adjustments which the Secretariat may have to make as a result of the final decisions of the Council and the Assembly as to the amount which will be allocated to the TC Fund; and the exchange rate between the pound and the dollar at the time when the funds are released and converted into dollars.

DRAFT TC RESOLUTION

LINKAGES BETWEEN IMO'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORK AND THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Examples of IMO's Technical Assistance Activities	Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	IMO's Strategic Directions
Strengthening institutional and human capacity of developing countries to implement IMO conventions and to ensure the safe, secure and environmentally protective flow of maritime trade. Promoting the ratification and implementation of the Facilitation Convention. Assisting Member States to implement the ISPS Code and the SUA Convention. Paying particular attention to the special needs of Small Island Developing States and Least Developed Countries.	SDG 1: NO POVERTY SDG 2: ZERO HUNGER SDG 16: PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS	1 2 5 6
Promoting the ratification and enhancing effective implementation and enforcement of MARPOL, OPRC, SOLAS, OPRC-HNS and BWM Conventions. Strengthening national capacity to respond to marine pollution incidents and enhancing regional cooperation. Assisting countries in developing and adopting relevant aspects of the UNCLOS. Establishment of Special Areas under MARPOL and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (PSSAs). Paying particular attention to the special needs of Small Island Developing States and Least Developed Countries. Supporting ratification and implementation of the Cape Town Agreement	SDG 14: LIFE BELOW WATER*	1 4
Promoting the ratification and implementation of the STCW and STCW-F Conventions Cooperating with the ILO in the Joint IMO/ILO Ad Hoc Working Groups to address various issues concerning health and social protection of seafarers. Continue to promote and implement the programme on strengthening the role of women in the maritime sector. Continue to promote the award of scholarships for WMU, IMLI and other maritime training institutions. SDG 4: QUALITY EDUCATION* SDG 5: GENDER EQUALITY* SDG 8: DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH		

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^{*} Highlighted SDGs denote those most directly relevant to IMO's Technical Assistance work

Examples of IMO's Technical Assistance Activities	Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	IMO's Strategic Directions
Promoting the ratification and enhancing effective implementation and enforcement of MARPOL Annex VI		1
Training programmes on GHG emissions, EEDI, SEEMP,	SDG 7: AFFORDABLE AND	2
Promoting the ratification and implementation of the London Convention and London Protocol	CLEAN ENERGY*	3
Implementation of the GloMEEP project and the establishment of a global network of Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres (MTCC)	SDG 13: CLIMATE ACTION* [Paris Agreement]	7
Paying particular attention to the special needs of Small Island Developing States and Least Developed Countries.	[i and rigidomoniq	
Promoting the ratification and implementation of the London Convention and London Protocol.	SDG 6: CLEAN WATER AND	1
Promoting the ratification and enhancing effective implementation and enforcement of MARPOL Annex V.	SANITATION*	4
Promoting the ratification and implementation of the Hong Kong Ship Recycling Convention.	SDG 11: SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	
	SDG 12: RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION	
Promote the use of Country Maritime Profiles by Member States and the implementation of National Maritime Transport Policies.	SDG 9: INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	1 2
Promoting the ratification and implementation of the Facilitation Convention.	SDG 10: REDUCED INEQUALITIES	6
Continue to develop and strengthen bilateral partnerships with Governments, international organizations, regional institutions and industry for delivering technical cooperation activities.	SDG 17: PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS	

DRAFT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

LINKAGES BETWEEN IMO'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORK AND THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Articles 2(e) and 15(k) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Organization in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical cooperation,

RECALLING ALSO resolution 69/313 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly entitled *Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development*, which, inter alia, commits Member States to fully engage, nationally, regionally and internationally, in ensuring proper and effective follow-up of the financing for development outcomes and all the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and addresses the issues of sustainable use of the oceans, seas and coastal areas and the *United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea*, and underlines the important role and comparative advantage of an adequately resourced, relevant, coherent and effective United Nations system to support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution 70/1 adopted by the United Nations General Assembly, entitled *Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*, in which it adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching and people-centred set of universal and transformative Sustainable Development Goals and targets, and reaffirmed its commitment to working tirelessly for the full implementation of this Agenda by 2030, and its commitment to achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions — economic, social and environmental— in a balanced and integrated manner, and to building upon the achievements of the Millennium Development Goals and seeking to address their unfinished business,

RECOGNIZING United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/243 Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, which, inter alia, called upon United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies to reflect their contribution to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in their strategic plans and similar planning documents, in close consultation with and for presentation to their respective governing bodies for approval, and requested the United Nations country teams, under the leadership of the resident coordinator to strengthen the use of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF), enhance the inter-agency approach within the United Nations development system at the country level, and strengthen joint programming processes and the use of joint programmes at the country level, where appropriate,

RECALLING that the Vision Statement of the Organization's Strategic Plan for the six-year period 2018-2023 stresses the need for the Organization to meet the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and support Member States in their implementation of the Agenda,

MINDFUL of the obligations and responsibilities of all Member States, including the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS), to implement systems and procedures, in accordance with the instruments to which they are parties, so as to contribute to their long-term sustainable development,

MINDFUL ALSO of the need to give priority, in the delivery of technical assistance, to meeting the special assistance needs of Africa, of Least Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States as called for in the aforementioned resolutions,

RECOGNIZING the important role that a safe, secure, environmentally sound, efficient and sustainable shipping through cooperation plays in the sustainable development of all States and the achievement of the SDGs,

RECOGNIZING ALSO IMO's goal to achieve uniform implementation of its instruments, their enforcement by States parties to them, and the provision of targeted capacity building and technical cooperation through the use of Country Maritime Profiles (CMP) and the programming of technical assistance within the framework of United Nations Development Assistance (UNDAF),

RECOGNIZING FURTHER the fundamental importance of IMO's technical cooperation activities, channelled through the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP), in enhancing the capacity of developing countries to implement the aforementioned international regulatory framework,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendations of the Technical Cooperation Committee at its sixty-sixth and sixty-seventh sessions on the issue of linkage between the Organization's technical assistance work and the SDGs, as well as TC.1/Circ.69 demonstrating the conceptual linkages between IMO's Technical Assistance work and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

- 1 INVITES Member States to recognize the importance of completing and updating the Country Maritime Profiles (CMP) and including Sustainable Development Goals and their targets into the CMPs;
- 2 ALSO INVITES Member States and partner organizations to mainstream their contribution to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in their strategic plans and similar planning documents;
- 3 URGES Member States to work, at country-level, with the United Nations Resident Coordinator and the UN Country Teams (UNCTs) and ensure that the maritime sector, in particular their national technical assistance needs, are reflected in their respective country's United Nations Development Assistance (UNDAF), taking into account the 2030 Agenda;
- 4 ALSO URGES Member States, partner organizations and the Secretariat to work with the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals (IAEG-SDGs) and develop the Organization's mandate-related Global Indicators, data and Performance Indicators for monitoring and measuring the achievement of the SDGs;
- 5 INVITES Member States, partner organizations and the Secretariat to coordinate and work with the five UN Regional Economic Commissions to ensure that the maritime sector is reflected in the regional programmes and aligned to the 2030 Agenda;
- REQUESTS the Technical Cooperation Committee to give high priority to those activities, which not only promote the early ratification and effective implementation of IMO instruments but also contribute to the attainment of the SDGs, taking into account the special needs of the LDCs and SIDS, and the particular maritime transport needs of Africa, and ensure that these needs are reflected in the ITCP;
- 7 REQUESTS the Technical Cooperation Committee to keep this resolution under review and take action as appropriate;
- 8 REVOKES resolution A.1006(25).

DRAFT ASSEMBLY REOLUTION

GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF IMO'S INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME IN SUPPORT OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Articles 2(e) and 15(k) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Organization in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical cooperation,

RECALLING ALSO the Strategic Plan for the Organization for the six-year period 2018-2023, which reaffirms, inter alia, the Organization's intention to continue implementing projects to provide targeted capacity building and technical cooperation,

NOTING United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/1 *Transforming our world:* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2030 Agenda), which sets out 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to ensure that the purpose of the 2030 Agenda is realized and calls upon global partnerships to work together to ensure their implementation,

NOTING IN PARTICULAR the United Nations General Assembly resolutions which impact directly on the direction and objectives of the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP), including inter alia:

- (a) A/RES/71/244 South-South Cooperation, which requests those specialized agencies of the United Nations system that have not yet integrated South-South and triangular cooperation into their policies to do so, taking into account the Nairobi outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation;
- (b) A/RES/71/238 Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
- (c) A/RES/71/225 Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
- (d) A/RES/71/223 Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, and
- (e) A/RES/71/254 Framework for a Renewed United Nations-African Union Partnership on Africa's Integration and Development Agenda 2017-2027.

RECOGNIZING the Organization's obligations and responsibilities to implement, through its standard-setting work and its technical cooperation activities, the aims and objectives of the SDGs and its targets, and of the need to mobilize the means required to support with concrete actions the realization of the 2030 Agenda, including the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (A/RES/69/313),

- DECIDES that the guiding principles governing IMO's technical assistance, through the framework of the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) and as a means to promote the 2030 Agenda, will focus on the delivery of the SDGs, giving priority to meeting the special assistance needs of Africa, of Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States, and empowering women as key maritime resources (as illustrated in the annex under the "ITCP strategic and implementation principles");
- 2 REAFFIRMS the delivery mechanisms for the ITCP, in collaboration with regional implementing partners, of knowledge-sharing and capacity building through technical advisory services and maritime training events; and assistance in the elaboration of national maritime transport policies and regional strategies for marine pollution response;
- 3 INVITES Member States to meet the challenge of realizing the 2030 Agenda by exploring the alignment of their goals and those of the SDGs, with a view to generating a symbiosis with the activities of the ITCP;
- 4 URGES Member States to ensure the integration of maritime issues within their United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks (UNDAF) which will determine their national priority areas of funding and support for maritime technical assistance activities;
- 5 ALSO URGES Member States to contribute to the work of the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) and to the UNDG Working Group, in the development of specific technical performance indicators against which will be determined the success of maritime technical assistance activities;
- 6 INVITES Member States, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations and industry to engage actively in the support of the ITCP and its guiding principles, as a key mechanism for IMO to foster compliance and uniform implementation, by developing countries, of its instruments governing international shipping;
- 7 REVOKES resolution A.901(21).

ITCP STRATEGIC AND IMPLEMENTATION PRINCIPLES

- ownership of the development and implementation process by the beneficiary countries
- promotion of the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, through the delivery of the SDGs identified as relevant to IMO's technical assistance work
- contribution to the work of the United Nations Development Group and the UNDG Working Group in the development of specific performance indicators against which will be determined the success of maritime technical assistance activities
- priority to meeting the special assistance needs of Africa, of Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States, and empowering women as key maritime resources
- integration of IMO's regulatory priorities into the programme-building process
- development of human resources and institutional capacities on a sustainable basis, including the integration of women as key stakeholders in the maritime sector
- integration of South-South and Triangular Cooperation into IMO's programmes
- development and enhancement of effective partnership arrangements, both financial and in-kind, in order to ensure the long-term and sustainable delivery of ITCP activities
- promotion of the use of Country Maritime Profiles and formulation of National Maritime Transport Policies
- delivery of technical assistance through knowledge-sharing; technical advisory services; and maritime training events
- delivery of ITCP activities through modern and digital technology
- mobilization of regional expertise and resources for technical assistance activities
- coordination with other development aid programmes in the maritime sector
- application of monitoring and evaluation systems to measure the effectiveness of the ITCP against programme targets

DRAFT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

FINANCING AND PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Articles 2(e) and 15(k) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Organization in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical cooperation,

RECALLING ALSO the Strategic Plan for the Organization for the six-year period 2018-2023, which, inter alia, reaffirms the Organization's intention to continue implementing projects to provide targeted capacity building and technical cooperation; and to establish new and further develop existing long-term strategic donor relationships in its technical cooperation work,

NOTING United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/1 *Transforming our world:* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2030 Agenda), which sets out 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to ensure that the purpose of the 2030 Agenda is realized and calls upon global partnerships to work together to ensure their implementation,

NOTING ALSO United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/244 South-South Cooperation which requests those specialized agencies of the United Nations system that have not yet integrated South-South and triangular cooperation into their policies to do so, taking into account the Nairobi outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; and the complementary nature of South-South to North-South cooperation,

RECOGNIZING the Organization's obligations and responsibilities to implement, through its standard-setting work and its technical cooperation activities, the aims and objectives of the SDGs and its targets, and of the need to mobilize the means required to support with concrete actions the implementation of the 2030 Agenda,

RECOGNIZING ALSO the challenges to securing financing for the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) over the coming biennia, including the competition for limited development aid resources, and the forecast increase in demand for technical cooperation arising from the outcomes, for developing countries, of the IMO Mandatory Audit Scheme,

MINDFUL of the budgetary constraints of Member States and the Organization itself, and of the limited resources available to IMO for implementing the ITCP,

MINDFUL ALSO of the need to establish a long-term, predictable, sustainable and flexible funding for the ITCP, maintained through diverse income-streams, to facilitate regular and predictable replenishment of core funds and enhance the delivery of the core activities of the biennial ITCP,

NOTING WITH APPRECIATION the actions taken by the Secretary-General pursuant to resolutions A.965(23) and A.986(24),

- 1 URGES the Organization's development partners to acknowledge and respond to their obligations, as IMO Member States, and in recognition of the direct relationship between IMO's technical cooperation work and the effective realization of the SDGs, by providing and enhancing financial support to the ITCP through long-term sustainable arrangements;
- 2 ALSO URGES Member States to explore the alignment of their goals and those of the ITCP so as to generate resources through their Official Development Aid modalities;
- 3 FURTHER URGES Member States to develop collaborative multi-bilateral partnership arrangements to encourage South-South and triangular development cooperation through ITCP activities;
- 4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General to continue to develop and enhance effective partnership arrangements in order to ensure the long-term and sustainable delivery of ITCP activities:
- 5 INVITES Member States, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations and industry to engage actively in the support of ITCP activities through, inter alia:
 - (a) voluntary cash donations to the TC Fund;
 - (b) financial allocations to the IMO multi-donor trust funds;
 - (c) multi-bilateral arrangements;
 - (d) voluntary donations of interest earnings under the Contributions Incentive Scheme; and
 - (e) in-kind support through the provision of no-fee TC Consultants; hosting of technical assistance events; and the donation of equipment;
- 6 REAFFIRMS its mandate to the Technical Cooperation Committee to devise innovative mechanisms for securing a long-term, predictable, sustainable and flexible funding strategy for the ITCP;
- 7 REVOKES resolutions A.965(23) and A.986(24).

TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE (TCC) BIENNIAL STATUS REPORT 2016-2017

Output number	Description	Target completion year			• • •	output for	Status of output for Year 2	References
1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance			MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC	Council		In progress	
1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance			MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC	Council		In progress	
	Analysis of consolidated audit summary reports	Annual	Assembly	MSC / MEPC / LEG / TCC / III	Council		In progress	TC 67/7(a)
2.0.2.2	Capacity-building aspects of the IMO Audit Scheme reflected in and implemented through the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP)		TCC				Ongoing	TC 67/7(b)
3.1.1.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on partnership arrangements for, and implementation of, environmental programmes		TCC	MEPC			In progress	
3.1.2.1	Revised resolution A.965(23) on Development and improvement of partnership arrangements for technical cooperation		TCC				Completed	TC 67/5(e)

Output number	Description	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)	Associated organ(s)	Coordinating organ(s)	 Status of output for Year 2	References
3.1.3.1	Monitoring of ITCP programme implemented on the enhancement of maritime training capacities, including middle and senior management levels		TCC			In progress	TC 67/3(a)
3.2.1.1	Monitoring of TCDC reflected in the ITCP and partnerships	Continuous	TCC			Ongoing	
3.2.1.2	Analysis and consideration of reports on the TC Fund, voluntary trust funds, multi/bilateral funds, cash contributions and in-kind support under the ITCP		TCC			In progress	TC 67/3(a)/Add.1
3.2.2.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on the implementation of the approved mechanism for sustainable financing of the ITCP		TCC			In progress	TC 67/4(c)
3.3.1.1	Identification of the linkages between the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)		TCC			In progress	TC 66/5(d)
3.4.1.1	Input on identifying emerging needs of developing countries, in particular SIDS and LDCs to be included in the ITCP		TCC	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG		Ongoing	TC 67/3(b)
3.4.1.2	Approve ITCP for 2018-2019	2017	TCC			 Completed	TC 67/3(b)
3.5.1.1	Identify thematic priorities within the area of maritime safety and security, marine environmental protection, facilitation of maritime traffic and maritime legislation		TCC	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG		In progress	TC 67/3(b)

Output number	Description	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)		 output for	Status of output for Year 2	References
3.5.1.2	Input to the ITCP on emerging issues relating to sustainable development and achievement of the MDGs		TCC	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG		In progress	
3.5.2.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on strengthened regional associations for women managers in the maritime sector		TCC			In progress	TC 67/8
3.5.3.1	Monitoring measures on new and cost- effective measures to deliver technical assistance	Annual	TCC			In progress	
3.5.3.2	Analysis and consideration of reports on National Maritime Transport Policy development and Country Maritime Profiles		TCC			In progress	TC 67/5(a)
3.5.4.1	Analysis and consideration of the report on the ITCP Impact Assessment Exercise covering 2012-2015		TCC		Completed		TC 66/10
4.0.1.2	Approved annual report on ITCP implementation	Annual	TCC			In progress	TC 67/3(a)
4.0.1.3	Endorsed proposals for new outputs for the 2016-2017 biennium as accepted by the Committees	Annual	Council	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC		Completed	
4.0.2.1	Endorsed proposals for the development, maintenance and enhancement of information systems and related guidance (GISIS, websites, etc.)	Continuous	Council	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC		Ongoing	

Output number	Description	Target completion year			Coordinating organ(s)	output for	Status of output for Year 2	References
4.0.3.1	Development of a new strategic framework for the Organization for 2018-2023	_	Council	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC			In progress	
4.0.5.1	Revised Guidelines on the organization and method of work, as appropriate	2016	Council	MSC / MEPC / FAL / LEG / TCC		Postponed	•	TC 66/11 and TC 67/12
7.2.3.1	Report on activities within the ITCP related to the OPRC Convention and the OPRC HNS Protocol		TCC	MEPC			In progress	TC 67/3(a)
9.0.1.1	Report on ITCP programme on support to SIDS and LDCs for their special shipping needs		TCC				In progress	TC 67/3(a)

SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD 2018 TO 2021

Sixty-eighth session of the Committee (June 2018)

Work of other bodies and organizations

Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP): Annual Report for 2017

Sustainable financing of the ITCP

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development:

- [(a) Maritime transport policy development]
- [(b) Country Maritime Profiles]
- (c) Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- [(d) Revision of the Assembly resolutions relating to technical cooperation]

[Review of the Impact Assessment Exercise]

Partnerships:

- (a) Regional presence and coordination
- (b) Partnership arrangements

IMO Member State Audit Scheme

Capacity-building: Strengthening the impact of women in the maritime sector

Global maritime training institutions

Application of the Committee's Guidelines

Work programme

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2019

Any other business

Consideration of the report of the Committee on its sixty-eighth session

Sixty-ninth session of the Committee (June 2019)

Work of other bodies and organizations

Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP):

- (a) Annual Report for 2018
- (b) Programme for 2020 and 2021

Financing the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme:

- (a) Technical Cooperation Fund Allocation for 2020 and 2021
- (b) Sustainable financing

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Partnerships:

- (a) Regional presence and coordination
- (b) Partnership arrangements

IMO Member State Audit Scheme

Capacity-building: Strengthening the impact of women in the maritime sector

Global maritime training institutions

[Evaluation of the ITCP activities for the period 2016-2019: general principles and thematic areas]

Application of the Committee's Guidelines

Work programme

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2020

Any other business

Consideration of the report of the Committee on its sixty-ninth session

Seventieth session of the Committee (June 2020)

Work of other bodies and organizations

Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP): Annual Report for 2019

Sustainable financing of the ITCP

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Partnerships:

- (a) Regional presence and coordination
- (b) Partnership arrangements

IMO Member State Audit Scheme

Capacity-building: Strengthening the impact of women in the maritime sector

Global maritime training institutions

[Report of the Evaluation of the ITCP activities for the period 2016-2019]

Application of the Committee's Guidelines

Work programme

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021

Any other business

Consideration of the report of the Committee on its seventieth session

Seventy-first session of the Committee (June 2021)

Work of other bodies and organizations

Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP):

- (a) Annual Report for 2020
- (b) Programme for 2022 and 2023

Financing the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme:

- (a) Technical Cooperation Fund Allocation for 2022 and 2023
- (b) Sustainable financing

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Partnerships:

- (a) Regional presence and coordination
- (b) Partnership arrangements

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Global maritime training institutions

Application of the Committee's Guidelines

Work programme

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2022

Any other business

Consideration of the report of the Committee on its seventy-first session

ANNEX 7

DRAFT OUTPUTS OF THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE FOR THE 2018-2019 BIENNIUM ALIGNED WITH THE NEW STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS AS APPROVED BY C 117

	Current No.	Output	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)	Associated organs	Coordinating organs
SD 1: Improve implementation	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	2.0.2.1	Analysis of consolidated audit summary reports	Annual	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ LEG/TCC/III	Council
	2.0.2.2	Capacity-building aspects of the IMO Audit Scheme reflected in and implemented through the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP)	Continuous	TCC		
	3.1.3.1	Monitoring of the ITCP programme implemented on the enhancement of maritime training capacities, including middle and senior management levels	Annual	TCC		
	3.4.1.1	Input on identifying emerging needs of developing countries, in particular SIDS and LDCs to be included in the ITCP	Continuous	TCC	MSC/MEPC/ FAL/LEG	
	3.4.1.2	Approve the ITCP for 2020-2021	2019	TCC		
	3.5.1.1	Identify thematic priorities within the area of maritime safety and security, marine environmental protection, facilitation of maritime traffic and maritime legislation	Annual	TCC	MSC/MEPC/ FAL/LEG	
	3.5.3.2	Analysis and consideration of reports on National Maritime Transport Policy development and Country Maritime Profiles	Annual	TCC		

	Current No.	Output	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)	Associated organs	Coordinating organs
	7.2.3.1	Report on activities within the ITCP related to the OPRC Convention and the OPRC HNS Protocol	Annual	TCC	MEPC	
	9.0.1.1	Report on the ITCP programme on support to SIDS and LDCs for their special shipping needs	Annual	TCC		
SD 2: Integrate new and advancing technologies in the regulatory framework	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
SD 3: Respond to Climate Change	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	3.5.1.2	Input to the ITCP on emerging issues relating to sustainable development and achievement of the SDGs	2019	TCC	MSC/MEPC/ FAL/LEG	
SD 4: Engage in Ocean Governance	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC / MEPC / FAL/LEG/TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	3.4.1.1	Input on identifying emerging needs of developing countries, in particular SIDS and LDCs to be included in the ITCP	Continuous	TCC	MSC/MEPC/ FAL/LEG	

	Current No.	Output	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)	Associated organs	Coordinating organs
	3.5.1.2	Input to the ITCP on emerging issues relating to sustainable development and achievement of the SDGs	2019	TCC	MSC/MEPC/ FAL/LEG	
SD 5: Enhance global facilitation and security of	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
international trade	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	3.3.1.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on the linkages between the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme (ITCP) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Annual	TCC		
SD 6: Ensure regulatory effectiveness	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	2.0.2.1	Analysis of consolidated audit summary reports	Annual	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ LEG/TCC/III	Council
SD 7: Ensure organizational effectiveness	1.1.1.1	Cooperate with the United Nations on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	1.1.2.1	Cooperate with other international bodies on matters of mutual interest, as well as provide relevant input/guidance	Continuous	Assembly	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	Council
	3.1.1.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on partnership arrangements for, and implementation of, environmental programmes	Annual	TCC	MEPC	

	Current No.	Output	Target completion year	Parent organ(s)	Associated organs	Coordinating organs
	3.1.2.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on implementation of Revised resolution A.965(23) on Development and improvement of partnership arrangements for technical cooperation	Annual	TCC		
	3.2.1.2	Analysis and consideration of reports on the TC Fund, voluntary trust funds, multi/bilateral funds, cash contributions and in-kind support under the ITCP	Annual	TCC		
	3.2.2.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on the implementation of the approved mechanism for sustainable financing of the ITCP	Annual	TCC		
	3.5.3.1	Monitoring measures on new and cost-effective measures to deliver technical assistance	Annual	TCC		
	3.5.4.1	Analysis and consideration of the report on the ITCP Impact Assessment Exercise covering 2016-2019	2019	TCC		
	4.0.1.2	Approved annual report on ITCP implementation	Annual	TCC		
	4.0.2.1	Endorsed proposals for the development, maintenance and enhancement of information systems and related guidance (GISIS, websites, etc.)	Continuous	Council	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	
	4.0.5.1	Revised guidelines on organization and method of work, as appropriate	2019	Council	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	
Other work	3.2.1.1	Monitoring of South-south cooperation reflected in the ITCP and partnerships	Continuous	TCC		
	3.5.2.1	Analysis and consideration of reports on strengthened regional associations for women managers in the maritime sector	Annual	TCC		
	4.0.1.3	Endorsed proposals for new outputs for the 2016-2017 biennium as accepted by the Committees	Annual	Council	MSC/MEPC/ FAL / LEG / TCC	

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE

Membership

Rule 1

For the purpose of these Rules, the term "Member" means a Member of the Organization and "other Participant" means a State not a Member of the Organization but Party to a treaty or other international instrument in respect of which the Committee performs functions as provided therein. Membership of the Committee shall be open to all Members and other Participants.

Subsidiary bodies

Rule 2

- 1 The Committee may establish such subsidiary bodies as it considers necessary. Such subsidiary bodies shall follow these Rules, except for Rules 3, 9, 14, 15 and 16.
- 2 Periodically, the Committee shall examine the need for the continued existence of any subsidiary body.

Sessions

Rule 3

The Committee shall meet at least once a year in regular session and more frequently with the approval of the Council. The Committee may meet in an extraordinary session upon a request made in writing to the Secretary-General by at least twenty of its respective Members. Sessions of the Committee shall be held at the Headquarters of the Organization unless convened elsewhere in accordance with a decision of the Committee approved by the Assembly or the Council.

Rule 4

The Secretary-General, acting on the direction of the Chair, shall notify Members and other Participants at least two months in advance of the holding of a session of the Committee, and shall also notify the Chairs of other interested IMO bodies who shall have the option of attending sessions as observers.

Observers

Rule 5

The Secretary-General, with the approval of the Council, may invite States having made applications for membership, States which have signed but not accepted the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, and States which are Members of the United Nations or of any specialized agency and liberation movements recognized by the African Union or the League of Arab States to send observers to sessions of the Committee.

- The Secretary-General shall invite to be represented as observers at each session of the Committee:
 - .1 the United Nations, including United Nations Environment; and
 - any of the specialized agencies of the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency.
- The Secretary-General shall invite to be represented by observers at each session of the Committee at which matters of direct concern to them are on the agenda:
 - .1 other intergovernmental organizations with which an agreement or special arrangement has been made; and
 - .2 non-governmental international organizations with which the Organization has established relationships in accordance with the rules governing consultations with such organizations.
- 4 Upon invitation by the Chair and with the consent of the Committee concerned, such observers may participate without vote on matters of direct concern to them.

- 1 Representatives of the United Nations, the International Atomic Energy Agency and of the specialized agencies shall receive copies of all documents issued to the Committee, subject to any arrangements as may be necessary for the safeguarding of confidential material.
- Observers shall have access to non-confidential documents and to such other documents as the Secretary-General, with the approval of the Chair, may decide to make available.

Delegations and credentials

Rule 7

Each Member or other Participant shall designate a representative and such alternates, advisers and experts as may be required.

Rule 8

Each Member or other Participant shall notify the Secretary-General in writing as soon as possible, and in any case not later than the opening day of a session, of the composition of its delegation to that session.

Rule 9

1 Each Member or Government entitled to participate in a session of the Committee convened to consider and adopt amendments to any international convention or other instrument in respect of which the Committee performs functions as provided therein shall transmit to the Secretary-General the credentials of its representatives and alternates, if any. The credentials shall be issued by the Head of State, Head of Government, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Minister concerned or by an appropriate authority properly designated by one of them for this purpose. The Secretary-General shall examine the credentials of each representative and alternate and report to the Committee thereon without delay.

2 All representatives shall be seated provisionally with the same rights until the Secretary-General has reported on credentials and the Committee has given its decision.

Publicity

Rule 10

- 1 The Committee may decide to hold meetings in private or public. In the absence of a decision to hold meetings in public, they shall be held in private.
- 2 Notwithstanding the aforesaid, and in accordance with the *Guidelines for media* access to meetings of Committees and their subsidiary bodies approved by the Council, the media may attend meetings of the Committee unless the Committee decides otherwise. Meetings of working and drafting groups established by the Committee shall be held in private.

Agenda

Rule 11

The provisional agenda for each session of the Committee shall be prepared by the Secretary-General and approved by the Chair, and shall normally be communicated with the basic supporting documents to the Members and other Participants two months before the opening of a session.

Rule 12

The first item on the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.

Rule 13

Subject to the provisions of Rule 14, any item of the agenda of a session of the Committee, consideration of which has not been completed at that session, shall be included in the agenda of a subsequent session unless otherwise decided by the Committee.

Rule 14

The provisional agenda for each session of the Committee shall include:

- .1 all items the inclusion of which has been requested by the Assembly or the Council;
- .2 all items the inclusion of which has been requested by the Committee at a previous session;
- .3 any item proposed by a Member;
- .4 subject to the provisions of a treaty or other international agreement in respect of which the Committee performs functions, any amendment proposed by a Party to that treaty or other international agreement;
- .5 subject to such preliminary consultations as may be necessary, any item proposed by any other subsidiary body of the Organization, by the United Nations, including the United Nations Development Programme, or by any of its specialized agencies, or by the International Atomic Energy Agency; and
- .6 any item proposed by the Secretary-General.

The Secretary-General shall report on the technical, administrative and financial implications of any substantive agenda items submitted to the Committee and, unless the Committee decides otherwise, no such item shall be considered until the Secretary-General's report has been available to the Committee for at least 24 hours.

Rule 16

In circumstances of urgency the Secretary-General, with the approval of the Chair, may include any question suitable for the agenda which may arise between the dispatch of the provisional agenda and the opening day of the session in a supplementary provisional agenda which the Committee shall examine together with the provisional agenda. The Secretary-General shall advise Members and other Participants immediately of the intention to include an item in a supplementary provisional agenda.

Rule 17

Unless it determines otherwise, the Committee shall not proceed to the discussion of any item on the agenda until at least 24 hours have elapsed after the relevant documents have been made available to Members and other Participants.

Chair and Vice-Chair

Rule 18

- 1 The Committee shall elect from among its Members a Chair and a Vice-Chair who shall each hold office for a term of one calendar year. They shall both be eligible for re-election for up to four further consecutive terms of office. In exceptional circumstances they may be re-elected for one additional consecutive term of office.
- 2 The Chair, or the Vice-Chair acting as Chair, shall not vote.
- 3 The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be elected at the end of the last regular session in each calendar year and shall assume their functions at the beginning of the following calendar year.

Rule 19

If the Chair is absent from a session, or any part thereof, the Vice-Chair shall preside. If the Chair, for any reason, is unable to complete the term of office, the Vice-Chair shall act as Chair pending the election of a new Chair.

Secretariat

Rule 20

The Secretary-General shall act as Secretary of the Committee. This function may be delegated to a member of the Secretariat.

Rule 21

The Secretary-General, or any member of the Secretariat designated for the purpose, may make either oral or written statements concerning any question under consideration.

It shall be the duty of the Secretariat to receive, translate and circulate to Members and other Participants all reports, resolutions, recommendations and other documents of the Committee.

Languages

Rule 23

The official languages of the Committee are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish; the working languages are English, French and Spanish.

Rule 24

Speeches at the Committee shall be made in one of the official languages and shall be interpreted into the other five official languages.

Rule 25

- 1 All supporting documents to agenda items of the Committee shall be issued in the working languages.
- All reports, resolutions, recommendations and decisions of the Committee shall be drawn up in one of the official languages and translated into the other five official languages.

Voting

Rule 26

- 1 When considering matters not connected with functions performed by the Committee in respect of treaties or other international agreements, all Members and other Participants may participate, but only Members of the Organization shall be entitled to vote.
- 2 Each Member entitled to vote shall have one vote.
- 3 When the Committee performs functions as provided for in a treaty or other international agreement, all Members and other Participants shall be entitled to participate in the proceedings, but voting on amendments to the treaty or other agreement shall be in accordance with the provisions of that treaty or agreement.

Rule 27

Subject to the provisions of any treaty or other international agreement which confers upon the Organization functions to be undertaken by the Committee, decisions of the Committee shall be made and reports, resolutions and recommendations adopted by a majority of the Members or other Participants entitled to vote, present and voting.

Rule 28

For the purpose of these Rules, the phrase "Members or other Participants entitled to vote, present and voting" means such Members or other Participants entitled to vote, casting an affirmative or negative vote. Those abstaining from voting or casting an invalid vote shall be considered as not voting. The phrase "Members present" means Members at the meeting, whether they cast an affirmative or negative vote, whether they abstain, whether they cast an invalid vote or whether they take no part in the voting.

- The provisions in Rule 28.1 above shall apply only if the quorum laid down in Rule 34 is obtained at the meeting at which the vote is taken.
- 3 Participants in the session who are not present at the meeting at which voting takes place shall be considered as not present.

The Committee shall normally vote by show of hands. However, any Member or other Participant entitled to vote may request a roll-call which shall be taken in the alphabetical order of the names of the Members or other Participants entitled to vote in English, beginning with the Member or other Participant whose name is drawn by lot by the Chair.

The vote of each Member or other Participant in any roll-call shall be inserted in the report of the session concerned.

Rule 30

If a vote is equally divided, a second vote shall be taken at the next meeting. If this vote is equally divided, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.

Elections

Rule 31

Officers of the Committee shall be elected by secret ballot, unless the Committee decides otherwise.

Rule 32

In a secret ballot, two scrutineers shall, on the proposal of the Chair, be appointed by the Committee from the delegations present and shall proceed to scrutinize the votes cast. All invalid votes cast shall be reported to the Committee.

Rule 33

If one person only is to be elected and no candidate obtains a majority in the first ballot, a second ballot shall be taken confined normally to the two candidates obtaining the largest number of votes. If in the second ballot the votes are equally divided, the election shall be deferred until the ensuing session, when, if another tie results, the Chair shall decide between the candidates by drawing lots.

Conduct of business

Rule 34

- 1 The Chair may declare a meeting open and permit the debate to proceed when at least twenty-five percent of the Membership of the Organization are present. The presence of a least twenty-five percent of the Membership of the Organization, or other participants, as appropriate, shall be required for any decision to be taken.
- When a treaty or other international instrument in respect of which the Committee performs functions contains a provision relating to the quorum, such provision shall apply in respect of such functions.

In addition to exercising the powers conferred elsewhere by these Rules, the Chair shall declare the opening and closing of each session of the Committee; direct the discussion and ensure observance of these Rules; accord the right to speak; put questions to the vote; and announce decisions resulting from the voting.

Rule 36

Proposals and amendments shall normally be introduced in writing and handed to the Secretary-General who shall circulate copies to delegations. As a general rule, no proposal shall be discussed or put to the vote at any meeting of the Committee unless copies of it have been circulated to delegations not later than the day preceding the meeting. The Chair may, however, permit the discussion and consideration of amendments or of motions as to procedure even though these amendments and motions have not been circulated or have only been circulated the same day.

Rule 37

The Committee may, on proposal of the Chair, limit the time to be allowed to each speaker on any particular subject under discussion.

Rule 38

- During the discussion of any matter, a Member or other Participant may rise to a point of order and the point of order shall be decided immediately by the Chair, in accordance with these Rules. A Member or other Participant may appeal against the ruling of the Chair. The appeal shall be put to the vote immediately and the Chair's ruling shall stand unless overruled by a majority of the Members or other Participants present and voting.
- 2 A Member or other Participant rising to a point of order may not speak on the substance of the matter under discussion.

Rule 39

- Subject to the provisions of Rule 38, the following motions shall have precedence, in the order indicated below, over all other proposals or motions before the meeting:
 - .1 to suspend a meeting;
 - .2 to adjourn a meeting;
 - .3 to adjourn the debate on the question under discussion; and
 - .4 for the closure of the debate on the question under discussion.
- 2 Permission to speak on a motion falling within Rule 39.1 above shall be granted only to the proposer and in addition to one speaker in favour of and two against the motion, after which it shall be put immediately to the vote.

Rule 40

If two or more proposals relate to the same question, the Committee, unless it decides otherwise, shall vote on the proposals in the order in which they have been submitted.

Parts of a proposal or amendment thereto shall be voted on separately if the Chair, with the consent of the proposer, so decides, or if any Member or other Participant requests that the proposal or amendment thereto be divided and the proposer raises no objection. If objection is raised, permission to speak on the point shall be given first to the mover of the motion to divide the proposal or amendment, and then to the mover of the original proposal or amendment under discussion, after which the motion to divide the proposal or amendment shall be put immediately to the vote.

Rule 42

Those parts of a proposal which have been approved shall then be put to the vote as a whole; if all the operative parts of the proposal or amendment have been rejected, the proposal or amendment shall be considered to be rejected as a whole.

Rule 43

A motion is considered to be an amendment to a proposal if it merely adds to, deletes from or revises part of that proposal. An amendment shall be voted on before the proposal to which it relates is put to the vote, and if the amendment is adopted, the amended proposal shall then be voted on.

Rule 44

If two or more amendments are moved to a proposal, the Committee shall first vote on the amendment furthest removed in substance from the original proposal and then on the amendment next furthest removed therefrom and so on, until all amendments have been put to the vote. The Chair shall determine the order of voting on the amendments under this Rule.

Rule 45

A motion may be withdrawn by its proposer at any time before voting on it has begun, provided that the motion has not been amended or that an amendment to it is not under discussion. A motion withdrawn may be reintroduced by any Member or other Participant having the right to submit such a motion.

Rule 46

When a proposal has been adopted or rejected, it may not be reconsidered at the same session of the Committee unless the Committee, by a majority of the Members or other Participants present and voting, decides in favour of reconsideration. Permission to speak on a motion to reconsider shall be accorded only to the mover and one other supporter, and to two speakers opposing the motion, after which it shall be put immediately to the vote.

Invitation of experts

Rule 47

The Committee may invite any person whose expertise it may consider useful for its work to participate in a meeting. A person invited under this Rule shall not have the right to vote.

Amendments of Rules of Procedure

Rule 48

These Rules may be amended by a decision of the Committee, taken by a majority of the Members present and voting.

Suspension of Rules of Procedure

Rule 49

A Rule may be suspended by a decision of the Committee taken by a majority of the Members present and voting, provided that 24 hours' notice of the proposal for suspension has been given. This notice may be waived if no Member objects.

Overriding authority of the IMO Convention

Rule 50

In the event of any conflict between a provision of these Rules and a provision of the Convention, the Convention shall prevail.

STATEMENTS BY DELEGATIONS

ITEM 3(b)

Statement by the Philippines

Thank you Chair. This statement is a follow up to our earlier intervention for document TC 67/3 (a). We thank the Secretariat for preparing document TC 67/3(b) Rev.1 on ITC programme for 2018-2019. Also, our thanks to the participants to TC/ISWG 2 for their work and contributions to our ITC programme for the next biennium.

We note that under paragraph 5 of this paper, the proposed ITCP for 2018 and 2019 outlines a realistic and feasible programme of assistance whose objectives will be achieved if the required funding level, estimated at some \$23,771,000 for the entire ITCP, is secured from IMO's internal resources (TC Fund) and external donor contributions, in the form of financial or in-kind support.

Paragraph 2 of the annex to this document rightly notes that many IMO Member States cannot yet give full and complete effect to IMO instruments. Thus, the ITCP was established with the purpose of assisting countries in building up their human and institutional capacities for the uniform and effective compliance with the international multilateral treaties which have been adopted within IMO's regulatory framework.

The ITCP essentially provides the means for capacity building in the maritime administrations to augment the level of implementation and compliance with IMO's international multilateral and shipping-related treaties and supports IMO Member States in fulfilling their obligations emanating from those instruments.

Evolving and current challenges also need the proper attention of the IMO such as the contribution of the ITCP to the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) both at the IMO level and at the country level.

This delegation also notes the focus of the ITCP for 2018-2019 on 3 priorities, namely, advocacy of global maritime rules and standards, institutional capacity-building and human resource development.

On this 3rd priority, we support the training of male and female experts to develop and manage national programmes for maritime safety administration, marine environmental protection, development of maritime legislation, facilitation of maritime traffic, technical port operations and training of seafarers and shore-based personnel.

In support for these priorities, the Philippines, through the Maritime Industry Authority, offers technical assistance at the regional and national levels by proposing to host in the Philippines the following training:

Regional Training

- 1. Training course on the implementation of safety regulations for ships not covered by SOLAS and domestic passenger ferries;
- 2. Training course for Maritime Administrations on the implementation of the ISM Code:

- 3. Training course on flag, port and coastal state responsibilities including the monitoring of ROs; and
- 4. Training course on casualty investigation and reporting.

National Workshop

- 1. National workshop on the legal implementation of IMO conventions;
- Training course on flag, port and coastal state responsibilities including the monitoring of ROs;
- 3. Training course on casualty investigation and reporting; and
- 4. National awareness workshops on the implementation of the IMSBC Code, with special focus on cargoes that may liquefy.

The Philippines is grateful for the conduct of the recent seminar on IMSBC and it was very responsive to our needs. However, the Philippines would appreciate another seminar on this topic in order to widely disseminate the awareness to as many groups as possible in our region. Again, MARINA will again provide the in-kind support for this seminar. The MARINA finance officers who are members of the Philippine Delegation are beside me at this table to assure that these proposed training courses and workshops are committed and funded.

Chair, the Philippines is ready to discuss with the Organization the details by which we could assist in the ITC program for 2018-2019 by way of venue including meals, administrative support and documentation, and other related assistance.

Thank you, and for reference to our commitment, we request that this statement be included in the report of TC 67.

Statement by Cameroon

La délégation camerounaise remercie le Secrétariat Général de l'OMI pour le document TC 67/3/(b)/Rev.1 qui décrit clairement le Programme de Coopération Technique pour la période biennale 2018-2019, et marque pleinement son soutien pour ce Programme.

Cette Délégation voudrait particulièrement remercier l'OMI pour les activités de ce programme qui sont projetées au Cameroun pour le renforcement des capacités humaines des capacités humaines et institutionnelles dans le domaine de la facilitation du trafic maritime international, afin de s'assurer de la pleine mise en œuvre des instruments pertinents de l'OMI, en particulier la Convention FAL, telle que révisée.

Depuis quatre ans environ, le Cameroun est en effet engagé, avec l'OMI, dans un Programme de Coopération Technique spécifique sur la facilitation du trafic maritime, à travers l'étude réalisée au Cameroun par l'OMI, visant à démontrer l'impact potentiel de la facilitation du trafic maritime international sur la réduction de la pauvreté. Cette étude avait abouti à la formulation de plusieurs recommandations visant à renforcer la facilitation du trafic maritime au Cameroun, à travers la simplification des formalités d'accueil des navires en escale dans les ports camerounais et des procédures de passage portuaire des marchandises.

Parmi les recommandations ainsi formulées, deux ont fait l'objet d'une demande d'assistance technique supplémentaire en vue de leur pleine mise en œuvre. Il s'agit des recommandations préconisant les actions suivantes:

- Le renforcement des capacités du Guichet Unique des opérations du Commerce extérieur afin d'assurer une bonne implémentation de l'échange électroniques des certificats et documents exigés aux navires par les autorités portuaires nationales;
- 2 Le renforcement des capacités des administrations en charge des procédures d'inspection et de contrôle des navires par l'Etat du port (port state control).

La délégation camerounaise est heureuse de constater que ces activités sont prises en compte dans le Programme 2018-2019 et voudrait marquer sa pleine disponibilité à travailler, comme d'habitude, en bonne intelligence avec le Secrétariat Général de l'OMI, en vue de la parfaite réussite de ces activités au Cameroun.

La délégation souhaiterait enfin que cette déclaration soit intégrée dans le Rapport du Comité.

Merci.

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Statement by Brazil

Thank you, Mr. Chair, and congratulations on your and your Vice-Chair's re-election.

With regard to paragraph 9.7.6, we had understood from the discussion that this would be further considered at the next session and a timeframe would then be provided.

If that is not the case and we have somehow misunderstood where the discussion was going, then this delegation cannot agree with the immediate cessation of the use of the term "WMU Branch" in any form or to a moratorium on all existing WMU Branches without further clarification on what that would entail exactly.

Thank you, Sir.

Statement by Chile

Nuestra delegación solicita la aclaración con respecto al punto 9.7.6 del documento TC 67/WP.1, en particular la traducción o interpretación de los debates sostenidos durante julio 19 am, en relación al cese del uso de la designación "filial de la UMM." Lo anterior, ya que según lo entendido por esta delegación, se trataría en el próximo período de sesiones del Comité, por lo que no se comparte el criterio de cese inmediato, sin una evaluación de cada una de las filiales. Lo anterior sin haber tenido aún la posibilidad de escuchar los audios. Asimismo se plantea que esta situación refleja la carencia de suficiente tiempo para abordar cada una de las temáticas de forma completa, que en algunos casos requiere coordinaciones y pronunciamientos desde capital.