RESOLUTION MSC.254(83)

(adopted on 12 October 2007)

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LONG-RANGE IDENTIFICATION AND TRACKING OF SHIPS

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO resolution A.886(21) on Procedure for the adoption of, and amendments to, performance standards and technical specifications, by which the Assembly resolved that the function of adopting performance standards and technical specifications, as well as amendments thereto shall be performed by the Maritime Safety Committee,

RECALLING FURTHER the provisions of the regulation V/19-1 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended (the Convention), relating to the long-range identification and tracking of ships,

ALSO RECALLING the Performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking of ships (the Performance standards) adopted by resolution MSC.210(81),

RECOGNIZING the need to adopt certain amendments to the Performance standards,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendations made, at its eighty-third session,

- 1. ADOPTS the amendments to the Performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking of ships, set out in the Annex to the present resolution;
- 2. RECOMMENDS Contracting Governments to the Convention to ensure that all Long-range identification and tracking (LRIT) Data Centres and the International LRIT Data Exchange conform to functional requirements not inferior to those specified in the Performance standards, as modified by the amendments, set out in the Annex to the present resolution; and
- 3. AGREES to review and amend, in the light of experience gained as necessary, the Performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking of ships, as modified by the amendments, set out in the Annex to the present resolution.

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO THE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LONG-RANGE IDENTIFICATION AND TRACKING OF SHIPS

4 Shipborne equipment

- *After the existing paragraph 4.4, the following new paragraph is inserted:*
 - "4.4.1 When a ship is undergoing repairs in dry-dock or in port or is laid up for a long period, the master or the Administration may reduce the frequency of the transmission LRIT information to one report every 24-hour period, or may temporarily stop the transmission of such information."

7 LRIT Data Centre

- *After the existing paragraph 7.1, the following new paragraphs are inserted:*
 - "7.1A When providing archived LRIT information to LRIT Data Users, LRIT Data Centres should utilize the version of the LRIT Data Distribution Plan which was applicable at the time when the LRIT information requested were originally received. Thus, all LRIT Data Centres should also archive the LRIT Data Distribution Plan covering the time period of the archived LRIT information.
 - 7.1B All Regional or Co-operative LRIT Data Centres and the International LRIT Data Centre should automatically maintain journal(s) for all of the internally routed LRIT information. The journal(s) should only contain message header information which may be used for audit purposes. The journal(s) should be transmitted to the International LRIT Data Exchange at regular intervals in order to be combined with the journal(s) maintained by the International LRIT Data Exchange."

10 International LRIT Data Exchange

- *After the existing paragraph 10.3.5, the following new paragraph is inserted:*
 - ".5A receive journal(s) from Regional, Co-operative, and the International LRIT Data Centre and combine these journal(s) with its own journal(s);"

- 4 After the existing paragraph 10.3.12, the following new paragraph is inserted:
 - ".13 not be able to view or access the LRIT information;"
- 5 The existing paragraph 10.3.13 is renumbered as "10.3.14" and the "." is deleted and replaced by "; and".
- 6 The following is inserted at the end of the renumbered 10.3.14:
 - ".15 receive updated pricing information from LRIT Data Centres, create a master price list for all LRIT Data Centres and transmit the master price list to an LRIT Data Centre on request."
- 7 After the existing paragraph 10.3.15, the following new paragraph is inserted:
 - "10.4 The LRIT Co-ordinator should have access to all journals. Contracting Governments and LRIT Data Centres should have only access to their share of the journals (i.e. with respect to LRIT information requested and provided). The journal(s) should be accessed off-line."
