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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee to be held at
IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR
from Monday, 21 to Friday, 25 September 2009
(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 21 September 2009)**

- Opening of the session
- 1 Adoption of the agenda
 - 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
 - 3 Amendments to the IMDG Code and supplements, including harmonization of the IMDG Code with the UN Recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods
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 - .2 amendment (35-10) to the IMDG Code and supplements
 - 4 Amendments to the IMSBC Code, including evaluation of properties of solid bulk cargoes
 - 5 Amendments to the CSS Code and associated recommendations
 - 6 Casualty and incident reports and analysis
 - 7 Review of the BLU Code
 - 8 Review of the Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships
 - 9 Guidance on protective clothing
 - 10 Revision of the Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes
 - 11 Stowage of water-reactive materials
 - 12 Amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972 and associated circulars
 - 13 Review of the Guidelines for packing of cargo transport units

- 14 Review of documentation requirements for dangerous goods in packaged form
- 15 Amendments to MARPOL Annex III*
- 16 Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships
- 17 Consideration for the efficacy of Container Inspection Programme
- 18 Work programme and agenda for DSC 15
- 19 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2010
- 20 Any other business
- 21 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.2):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
 - (a) documents (including information documents submitted in hard copy only) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents), by 19 June 2009. As a general rule, documents, other than information documents, should not contain more than 50 pages. In the case of reports from working, drafting and correspondence groups and in other exceptional circumstances, this number of pages may be exceeded, provided that the aforementioned deadline is put back by one week for every 20 pages exceeding 50 pages;
 - (b) non-bulky documents (including information documents) and bulky information documents submitted in electronic format, by 17 July 2009; and
 - (c) documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraph .1 above containing 4 pages or less, by 31 July 2009. These documents should start with a paragraph clearly indicating the document on which comments are made and stating that the document is submitted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 4.10.5 of the aforementioned Guidelines;
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - (a) all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with paragraph 4.1 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;
 - (b) substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and

* Subject to the decision of MEPC 59.

- (c) information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;
- .3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
- font: Times New Roman;
 - font size: 12;
 - justification: full;
 - margins (inches) 1 inch left, 0.75 inch right, 0.5 inch top and bottom; and
 - margins (centimetres): 2.54 cm left, 1.91 cm right, 1.27 cm top and bottom.

In this respect, a generic template entitled “Instruction on document presentation” is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents; and

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

2 The MSC has recommended that the provisions of the above Guidelines, which, *inter alia*, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations, should be strictly observed.
