

ASSEMBLY — 17th session
Agenda item 10

RESOLUTION A.705(17)
adopted on 6 November 1991

PROMULGATION OF MARITIME SAFETY INFORMATION

The ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly in relation to regulations and guidelines concerning maritime safety,

RECALLING ALSO regulation V/2 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS), which establishes the requirement for promulgating information on direct dangers to navigation,

NOTING resolution A.706(17) on the World-Wide Navigational Warning Service,

RECALLING FURTHER regulation V/4 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention which establishes the requirement for promulgating maritime meteorological information,

BEARING IN MIND the 1988 amendments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention concerning radiocommunications for the global maritime distress and safety, system (GMDSS),

BEARING IN MIND ALSO the work of the Organization in developing co-ordinated world-wide search and rescue facilities,

NOTING ADDITIONALLY that the Organization has adopted carriage requirements and performance standards for specialized systems for receiving maritime safety information on ships subject to the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended,

NOTING ALSO that some of the present means of transmitting maritime safety information will no longer be effective under the GMDSS,

NOTING FURTHER that Governments may, at their discretion, implement and operate other additional means of promulgation of maritime safety information to meet national requirements,

RECOGNIZING that international co-operation and co-ordination are, essential for the satisfactory maintenance of maritime safety information services and that such services make a vital contribution to the safety of life at sea,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its fifty-ninth session,

1. RESOLVES that the procedures for the provision and promulgation of maritime safety information should be in accordance with the Recommendation on Promulgation of Maritime Safety Information set out in the annex to the present resolutions

2. URGES Governments to co-operate in providing maritime safety information in accordance with the structure established by the said Recommendation.