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RESOLUTION A.802(19)
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**PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR SURVIVAL CRAFT RADAR TRANSPONDERS
FOR USE IN SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS**

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,

RECOGNIZING the need to prepare performance standards for survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations to be used in the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) in order to ensure the operational reliability of such equipment and to avoid, as far as practicable, adverse interaction between such equipment and other communication and navigation equipment aboard ship,

NOTING the results of operational trials on 9 GHz SAR transponders reported by Governments to the ITU-R Sector, and being aware that the IEC is preparing a technical standard for a 9 GHz SAR transponder,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its sixty-third session,

1. ADOPTS the Recommendation on Performance Standards for Survival Craft Radar Transponders for Use in Search and Rescue Operations set out in the Annex to the present resolution;
2. RECOMMENDS Governments to ensure that survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations, which will form part of the GMDSS, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the Annex to this resolution;
3. REQUESTS the Maritime Safety Committee to keep these Performance Standards under review and to adopt amendments thereto, as necessary;
4. REVOKES resolution A.697(17).

