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Agenda item 1

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA*

**for the fifteenth session of the Sub-Committee to be held at
IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR
from Monday, 13 to Friday, 17 September 2010
(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 13 September 2010)**

- 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 (36-12) to the IMDG Code and supplements
 - 4 Amendments to the IMSBC Code, including evaluation of properties of solid bulk cargoes
 - 5 Casualty and incident reports and analysis
 - 6 Guidance on protective clothing
 - 7 Revision of the Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes
 - 8 Stowage of water-reactive materials
 - 9 Review of the Guidelines for packing of cargo transport units
 - 10 Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships

* Subject to relevant decisions of A 26 and MSC 87.

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- 11 Consideration for the efficacy of Container Inspection Programme
- 12 Installation of equipment for detection of radioactive contaminated objects in port
- 13 Amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972 and associated circulars
- 14 Work programme and agenda for DSC 16
- 15 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2011
- 16 Any other business
- 17 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, as amended):

- .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 11 June 2010 (13-week deadline). 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 9 July 2010 (9-week deadline); and
 - (c) documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraph .1 above containing 4 pages or less, by 23 July 2010 (7-week deadline). 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
 - (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.

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.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.
