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REDUCTION OF GHG EMISSIONS FROM SHIPS

Proposal for a draft Assembly resolution on financing and partnership arrangements to enable the active and full participation by SIDS and LDCs in the GHG emissions reduction processes

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SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document provides a proposal for a draft Assembly resolution on financing and partnership arrangements to enable the active and full participation by SIDS and LDCs in the GHG emissions reduction processes

Strategic direction, if applicable: 3

Output: 3.2

Action to be taken: Paragraph 4

Related document: MEPC 74/7/12

1 This document is submitted in accordance with paragraph 6.12.5 of the Committee's Methods of work and comments on document MEPC 74/7/1 (Secretariat).

2 Based on the proposal in document MEPC 74/7/12, the co-sponsors suggest that a Trust Fund or similar be established as a matter of priority, with the purpose of supporting the active participation of SIDS and LDCs in any future working arrangements agreed by the Committee, and that a proposal for an Assembly Resolution to this effect be adopted at this session with a view to its consideration and adoption by the 31st Assembly in November 2019.

3 A draft proposal for such a resolution is set out in the annex to this document.

Action requested of the Committee

4 The Committee is invited to consider and endorse the draft Assembly resolution on financing and partnership arrangements to enable the active and full participation by SIDS and LDCs in the GHG emissions reduction processes as set out in the annex; and forward the draft Assembly Resolution for consideration by the Council at its 122nd session for consideration and adoption by the Assembly at its thirty-first session.

ANNEX

DRAFT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

**FINANCING AND PARTNERSHIP ARRANGMENTS TO ENABLE THE
ACTIVE AND FULL PARTICIPATION BY
SIDS AND LDCS IN THE GHG EMISSIONS REDUCTION PROCESSES**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15 (g) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization which gives the Assembly the competence to "determine financial arrangements of the Organization";

RECALLING ALSO Article 2(e) and 15 (k) of the Convention concerning the functions of the Organization in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical cooperation;

RECALLING ALSO Article 58 of the Convention which places responsibility for bearing the salary, travel and other expenses of its own delegation to the meetings held by the Organization on each Member;

RECALLING ALSO Assembly resolution A.1060(28) containing the Strategic Plan for the Organization for the six-year period 2014 to 2019, which, inter alia, reaffirms the importance of the ITCP, that need for support increases with amendments to existing instruments and the development of new instruments by IMO, in which the particular needs of, and impact on, small island developing States (SIDS) and least developed countries should be taken into account;

RECALLING ALSO Assembly resolution A.1110(30) which, inter alia, reaffirms the Organization will ensure that the views of all stakeholders are taken into account in its decision-making processes and continue to pay particular attention to the needs of developing countries, especially SIDS and least developed countries (LDCs);

RECALLING ALSO Assembly resolution A.1111(30) which, inter alia, refers to the potential impact that the inclusion of an output may have on SIDS and LDCs;

NOTING United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/1 "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2030 Agenda)", which sets out 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to ensure that the purpose of the 2030 Agenda is realized and calls upon global partnerships to work together to ensure their implementation;

NOTING ALSO United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/244 "South-South Cooperation" which requests those specialized agencies of the United Nations system that have not yet integrated South-South and triangular cooperation into their policies to do so, taking into account the Nairobi outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; and the complementary nature of South-South to North-South cooperation;

RECOGNIZING the requirement to identify the needs of developing States in general and the developmental needs of SIDS and LDCs in particular and to involve the whole of the IMO membership in the development, formulation, adoption and implementation of policy;

MINDFUL of the budgetary constraints of Member States and the Organization itself, and of the limited the resources available to IMO:

- 1 DECIDES to establish a dedicated fund administered by the Secretariat under the authority of the Secretary-General, to ensure that SIDS and LDCs are able to participate fully and effectively in the working arrangements concerning the IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships; and
- 2 INITIATES amendment to Article 58 "[e]ach Member shall bear the salary, travel and other expenses of its own delegation to the meetings held by the Organization" by including new text "except where specific agreement has been made to the contrary." to provide for enabling of financial assistance to SIDS and LDCs' governments to participate in the ongoing formulation and implementation of the IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships; and
- 3 REQUESTS IMO Member States to increase assessed contributions by at least 1% to be placed into such a fund to be used by SIDS and LDCs' governments to participate in the ongoing formulation and implementation of the IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships; or
- 4 RECOMMENDS that 20% of any fund established to assist with implementation of the IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships and administered by the IMO Secretariat, be set aside specifically to support the participation of the SIDS and LDC Member States in IMO meetings on the subject; and
- 5 INVITES Member States, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations and industry to engage actively in the support of the participation of SIDS and LDC Member States in IMO meetings regarding the IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships, e.g. by voluntary contribution in kind or in value; and
- 6 REQUESTS the Secretary-General to set up the necessary procedures to implement this resolution.
