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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Annotations to the provisional agenda *

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary:	This document provides information on action the Sub-Committee will be invited to take on the agenda items of the fifty-third session.
Strategic direction:	-
High-level action:	-
Planned output:	-
Action to be taken:	Paragraph 28
Related documents:	DE 53/1 and as specified in the text

Agenda item 1 Adoption of the agenda

DE 53/1	Secretariat	Provisional agenda
DE 53/1/1	Secretariat	Annotations to the provisional agenda

1 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider and adopt its provisional agenda (DE 53/1). As agreed at DE 52 (DE 52/21, paragraph 18.7), *ad hoc* working and drafting groups on the following subjects are envisaged to be established during the session:

- .1 life-saving appliances, including measures to prevent accidents with lifeboats and performance standards for recovery systems;
- .2 cargo oil tank coating and corrosion protection;

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- .3 alternative arrangements for the bottom inspection requirements for passenger ships other than ro-ro passenger ships;
- .4 safety provisions applicable to tenders operating from passenger ships; and
- .5 interpretation on application of SOLAS, MARPOL and Load Line requirements for major conversions of oil tankers.

Agenda item 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies

DE 53/2	Secretariat	Outcome of MSC 86
DE 53/2/1*	Secretariat	Outcome of MEPC 59
DE 53/2/2*	Secretariat	Outcome of FSI 17, NAV 55, DSC 14, STW 41 and SLF 52

2 The Sub-Committee will be informed of relevant decisions made and action taken by MSC 86 (DE 53/2); MEPC 59 (DE 53/2/1); and FSI 17, NAV 55, DSC 14, STW 41 and SLF 52 (DE 53/2/2) and will be invited to take action, as appropriate, under the relevant agenda items.

Agenda item 3 Measures to prevent accidents with lifeboats

DE 53/3*	United States	Report of the LSA Correspondence Group
MSC 86/12/1**	Norway	Measures to prevent accidents with lifeboats – Status of MSC.1/Circ.1206
MSC 86/12/2**	ICS	Measures to prevent accidents with lifeboats – Status of MSC.1/Circ.1206

3 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue its work concerning on-load release mechanisms; guidelines for Failure Mode and Effect Analysis (FMEA); and the definition of “unfavourable conditions of trim and list”, based on the report of the LSA Correspondence Group (DE 53/3) and to establish the LSA Working Group to progress work on the item.

4 As instructed by MSC 86, the Sub-Committee will also be invited to develop a schedule and outline of measures to make all or parts of MSC.1/Circ.1206/Rev.1 mandatory, taking into account documents MSC 86/12/1 and MSC 86/12/2.

Agenda item 4 Compatibility of life-saving appliances

DE 53/4*	United States	Report of the LSA Correspondence Group
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5 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider, based on the report of the LSA Correspondence Group (DE 53/4), guidance on the application of the new liferaft weight criteria agreed at DE 52 to passenger ship liferaft launching appliances. The LSA Working Group, if established under agenda item 3, may be instructed to consider the guidance with a view to finalizing it at this session.

* To be issued in due course.

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Agenda item 5 Revision of resolution A.760(18)

6 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue its consideration of the revision of symbols related to life-saving appliances and arrangements (resolution A.760(18)), taking into account the outcome of ISO's work on the new standard on shipboard signs (ISO 24409) which would form the basis for the revision. The LSA Working Group, if established under agenda item 3, may be instructed to deal with the matter, with a view to finalizing the work at this session.

Agenda item 6 Performance standards for recovery systems

DE 53/6* United States Report of the LSA Correspondence Group

7 The Sub-Committee will be invited to finalize draft amendments to SOLAS and the LSA Code concerning recovery systems, based on the report of the LSA Correspondence Group (DE 53/6). The LSA Working Group, if established under agenda item 3, may be instructed to prepare the final text of the draft amendments.

Agenda item 7 Cargo oil tank coating and corrosion protection

DE 53/7* Japan Report of the Correspondence Goup

8 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue its work on draft SOLAS amendments to introduce mandatory coating of cargo oil tanks of new oil tankers and on the associated performance standards, based on the report of the Correspondence Group (DE 53/7) and to establish a working/drafting group to finalize the draft amendments and performance standards at this session.

Agenda item 8 Development of a new framework of requirements for life-saving appliances

9 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue work on the review of the requirements for life-saving appliances in SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code through a systematic approach, developing a comprehensive framework for requirements for LSA and a procedure for the review and subsequent relocation of present requirements in SOLAS.

Agenda item 9 Guidance to ensure consistent policy for determining the need for watertight doors to remain open during navigation

DE 53/9* Sweden Report of the Correspondence Group
DE 53/9/1* Secretariat Outcome of SLF 52

10 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue its work on the development of guidance for Administrations to ensure a consistent policy for determining the need for watertight doors to remain open during navigation, based on the report of the Correspondence Group (DE 53/9) and taking into account the SLF Sub-Committee's work on guidance on the impact of open watertight doors on existing and new ship survivability (DE 53/9/1).

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Agenda item 10 Protection against noise on board ships

MSC 83/25/13**	Austria <i>et al.</i>	Proposal for protection against noise on board ships
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11 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work on the agenda item, taking into account the proposals made in document MSC 83/25/13.

Agenda item 11 Thermal performance of immersion suits

MSC 84/22/5**	Japan	Thermal performance of immersion suits
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12 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence consideration of amendments to the LSA Code and the Revised recommendation on testing of life-saving appliances relevant to the evaluation of the thermal performance of immersion suits.

Agenda item 12 Alternative arrangements for the bottom inspection requirements for passenger ships other than ro-ro passenger ships

DE 53/12	Secretariat	Outcome of FSI 17, MSC 86 and MEPC 59
DE 52/20/4**	Bahamas, Marshall Islands, CLIA, ICS	Guidance for Administrations when considering bottom inspection during in-water survey in lieu of drydock for passenger ships, other than ro-ro passenger ships, of less than 15 years of age
DE 52/INF.3**	Bahamas, Marshall Islands, CLIA, ICS	Alternative arrangements for the inspection of the outside of the passenger ship's bottom (other than ro-ro passenger ships)

13 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue its work on the item, taking into account the outcome of the related work of the FSI Sub-Committee on amendments to the Survey Guidelines under the HSSC (resolution A.997(25)) (DE 53/12), and to establish a working/drafting group to progress the matter.

Agenda item 13 Amendments to the Revised recommendation on testing of life-saving appliances

MSC 84/22/6**	Japan	Rectification of requirements for life-saving appliances
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14 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence the consideration of amendments to the Revised recommendation on testing of life-saving appliances, as amended by resolutions MSC.200(80) and MSC.226(82), in order to rectify inconsistencies.

Agenda item 14 Safety provisions applicable to tenders operating from passenger ships

MSC 84/22/8**	United Kingdom, IACS	Tenders operating from passenger ships
MSC 84/22/24**	CLIA	Tenders operating from passenger ships

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15 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work on the development of provisions for the design, equipment and operation of tenders carrying passengers and crew from passenger ships to shore and to establish a working/drafting group to progress the matter.

Agenda item 15 Classification of offshore industry vessels and consideration of the need for a code for offshore construction support vessels

DE 52/INF.8**	IMCA	Review of Special Purpose Ship Code
MSC 85/23/4**	Germany, IMCA	Proposal for the development of a new Code covering Offshore Construction Support Vessels

16 The Sub-Committee will be invited to investigate the need for clarification of the classification of vessels in the offshore industry with regard to guidance provided in relevant IMO codes and guidelines, with a view to, *inter alia*, exploring the possibility of developing a safety code for offshore construction support vessels.

Agenda item 16 Interpretation on application of SOLAS, MARPOL and Load Line requirements for major conversions of oil tankers

DE 53/16	IACS	Relevant IACS Unified Interpretations of the SOLAS Convention
DE 52/17/1**	IACS	Major conversions – relevant IACS Unified Interpretations of the SOLAS Convention
MSC 85/23/7**	Republic of Korea, IACS	Application of SOLAS, MARPOL and Load Line requirements to major conversions of oil tankers

17 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work on the development of an interpretation of the extent of the application of the SOLAS, MARPOL and Load Line Conventions to major conversions of oil tankers and to establish a working/drafting group to progress the matter.

Agenda item 17 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations

DE 53/17	IACS	LSA Code – lifeboat exterior colour (IACS UI SC 233)
DE 53/17/1	IACS	IACS Unified Interpretation on steam boilers and boiler feed systems (SOLAS regulation II-1/32.4)

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18 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider IACS unified interpretations submitted to the session with a view to developing relevant IMO interpretations, as appropriate.

Agenda item 18 Development of a mandatory Code for ships operating in polar waters

DE 53/18	Secretariat	Outcome of the 32 nd Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting (ATCM XXXII)
MSC 86/23/2**	Argentina, Chile	Safety measures for navigation in the Antarctic area
MSC 86/23/9**	Denmark, Norway, United States	Mandatory application of the polar guidelines
MSC 86/23/17**	Secretariat	Justification for new work programme items proposed by the DE Sub-Committee
MSC 86/23/19**	FOEI, Greenpeace, IFAW, WWF	Mandatory Polar Code
MSC 86/12/4**	United Kingdom	Comments on the report of the Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Equipment

19 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work on the development of a mandatory Code for ships operating in polar waters.

Agenda item 19 Application of amendments to SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code

DE 53/19	Secretariat	Scope of application of amendments to SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code
MSC 86/20/1**	IACS	Effective dates for amendments to SOLAS chapter III and the FSS and LSA Codes
MSC 86/WP.3**	Secretariat	Scope of application of amendments to the SOLAS Convention and instruments made mandatory under the Convention
MSC.1/Circ.1304**		Guidance for application of SOLAS regulation III/7, as amended by resolution MSC.201(81)

20 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the scope of application of amendments to SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code, taking into account comments and proposals made in any documents submitted.

Agenda item 20 Guidelines for a visible element to general alarm systems on passenger ships

MSC 86/23/10** and MSC 86/INF.2**	United States, CLIA	New work item proposal for a visible element to the general emergency alarm for the hearing impaired
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21 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work on the development of non-mandatory guidelines regarding a visible element to the general emergency alarm on passenger ships to accommodate passengers who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Agenda item 21 Improvement of existing pollution prevention equipment

.1 Development of test standards for type approval of add-on equipment

.2 Promotion of integrated bilge water treatment systems

DE 52/20/17**	Denmark	Retrofitting existing pollution prevention equipment for compliance with MEPC.107(49) – proposal for test standard for add-on emulsion breaking devices
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22 The Sub-Committee will be invited to continue, as instructed by MEPC 59, considering simplified test procedures for add-on equipment capable of breaking up emulsions that could supplement existing resolution MEPC.60(33)-compliant equipment; and the promotion of Integrated Bilge Water Treatment System (IBTS) as a holistic approach to address the perceived illegal oil discharges related to engine-room management, taking into account the relevant discussions at DE 52.

Agenda item 22 Development of guidelines for a shipboard oil waste pollution prevention plan

MEPC 59/20/2**	United States	A proposal for Guidelines for a Shipboard Oil Waste Pollution Prevention Plan
MEPC 59/20/6**	IFAW	A proposal for Guidelines for a Shipboard Oil Waste Pollution Prevention Plan

23 As instructed by MEPC 59, the Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the development of guidelines for a shipboard oil waste pollution prevention plan.

Agenda item 23 Manually operated alternatives in the event of pollution prevention equipment malfunctions

MEPC 59/6/4**	Denmark	Inadequate manuals for equipment malfunction for oil discharge monitoring and control systems for oil tankers
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24 As instructed by MEPC 59, the Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the development of appropriate amendments to the Revised Guidelines and specifications for oil discharge monitoring and control systems for oil tankers (resolution MEPC.108(49)).

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Agenda item 24 Work programme and agenda for DE 54

25 The Sub-Committee will be invited to review its work programme, as approved by MSC 86, also having regard to environment-related items, taking into account the progress made at the session, and to prepare the draft revised work programme and the draft provisional agenda for DE 54 in accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.2), for approval by MSC 87.

Agenda item 25 Any other business

DE 53/25	Secretariat	Definition of “new installation of materials”
DE 53/25/1	Secretariat	Investigation report on the fire on the fishing factory vessel Hercules
FP 53/19/1**	Denmark, Faroe Islands	Fire on the fishing factory vessel Hercules
MSC 86/25/2**	Norway	Incorrect wording in the 2008 SPS Code

26 As instructed by MSC 86, the Sub-Committee will be invited to consider:

- .1 the development of a definition of “new installation of materials” (DE 53/25);
- .2 the investigation report on the fire on the fishing factory vessel **Hercules** (DE 53/25/1); and
- .3 amendments to the 2008 SPS Code (MSC 86/26, paragraph 25.10, and MSC 86/25/2).

27 The Sub-Committee will also be invited to consider any other matters submitted by Member Governments or international organizations or referred to it by the committees or other sub-committees.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

28 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the above information and take action as appropriate under the relevant agenda items.