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TRAINING FOR SEAFARER SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES

Guidance on the Training of a Ship Safety Representative

Submitted by the International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)

SUMMARY

- Executive summary:** The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) has produced a DVD to introduce the role of the ships safety representative to all seafarers. This DVD is submitted for the Sub-Committee's information and support
- Action to be taken:** Paragraph 4
- Related documents:** MSC 84/24 and MSC 82/21/2

Introduction

1 At MSC 82, following consideration of document MSC 82/21/2 (New Zealand, South Africa and the Phillipines) it was agreed to include, in the STW Sub-Committee's work programme, a high priority item on 'Training for seafarer safety representatives'.

2 The ITF believe that promoting safe behaviour for a safety culture on board ships requires the involvement of all personnel and effective safety representatives. The ITF has produced a DVD to introduce the role of the ships safety representative and the meaning of a safety culture to all crew.

3 The initial DVD recognizes that many flag States already produce training material in this area and has been produced in languages suitable for seafarers from developing countries. Copies of this DVD will be distributed to delegates during the meeting.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

4 The Sub-Committee is invited to consider this DVD and take action as appropriate.

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