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PROPOSED IMO MODEL AUDIT SCHEME

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

- Executive summary:** The Council is invited to consider further the proposed IMO Model Audit Scheme
- Action to be taken:** Paragraph 4
- Related documents:** C 88/13/2, C 88/13/3, C 88/13/4 and C 88/D, paragraphs 13.5 to 13.12

1 The Council will recall that, at its eighty-eighth session, it approved, in principle, the concept for an IMO Model Audit Scheme, as outlined in document C 88/13/2 (Australia, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hong Kong China, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Marshall Islands, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States) to be implemented on a voluntary basis.

2 In the context of its consideration of the proposed Scheme, the Council:

- .1 decided, in view of the lack of time to consider the comments on document C 88/13/2, as expressed in documents C 88/13/3 (Brazil) and C 88/13/4 (Bahamas), and to take advantage of the presence of the newly expanded Council, to continue discussion on the proposed Scheme at its eighty-ninth session;
- .2 requested the MSC, MEPC and TC Committees to give preliminary consideration, if it is possible without seriously disrupting their work schedules, to the issue during the current year, requesting MEPC 48 and TC 52, in particular, to advise the eighty-ninth session of the Council accordingly;
- .3 requested MSC and MEPC:
 - (i) to consider, taking into account the proposals in documents C 88/13/3 and C 88/13/4 and any other submissions received, how the details of an IMO Model Audit Scheme (to be implemented on a voluntary basis) could be developed; and
 - (ii) to advise on those safety and environmentally-critical areas they consider should be covered by the Scheme;

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- .4 requested the TC Committee to consider also the issue from a capacity building point of view and report to Council as noted below;
- .5 also requested MEPC 48, MSC 76 and TC 52 to consider the desirability of establishing a joint working group to meet at MSC 77, to consider the matter further;
- .6 finally, requested:
 - (i) MSC 77 (May 2003) to consider the matter and submit a progress report to the ninetieth session of the Council (June 2003) for the latter to consider it and convey any instructions and/or requests on the issue to MEPC 49;
 - (ii) MEPC 49 (July 2003) to consider the matter further and prepare a report for submission to the twenty-second extraordinary session of the Council; and
 - (iii) TC 53 (June 2003) to also report on its own consideration to the twenty-second extraordinary session of the Council; and
- .7 requested the Secretary-General to study the ICAO Model Audit Scheme and advise the Council and aforementioned Committees on any aspects of it which might be taken into account in developing the IMO Scheme.

3 The study and advice requested of the Secretary-General, as referred to above, will be submitted to the Council in due course.

Action requested of the Council

4 The Council is invited to note the information provided above in its further consideration of the IMO Model Audit Scheme.
