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Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This report draws attention to resolutions of various bodies of the United Nations of relevance to IMO, distributed since the 118th session of the Council

Strategic direction, if applicable: Other Work

Output: OW 23

Action to be taken: Paragraph 16

Related documents: None

1 Since the 118th session of the Council (24 to 28 July 2017), a number of resolutions dealing with matters of relevance to IMO were adopted by the General Assembly, the Security Council, and the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. The resolutions are listed below with a hyperlink to the text of each resolution for ease of reference.

General Assembly resolutions

Title

[Resolution 72/72
of 5 December 2017](#)

Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments

[Resolution 72/73
of 5 December 2017](#)

Oceans and the law of the sea

[Resolution 72/123
of 7 December 2017](#)

Measures to eliminate international terrorism

General Assembly resolutions**Title**

[Resolution 72/212
of 20 December 2017](#)

Strengthening the links between all modes of transport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals

[Resolution 72/234
of 20 December 2017](#)

Women in development

[Resolution 72/244
of 24 December 2017](#)

Modalities for the Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration

[Resolution 72/249
of 24 December 2017](#)

International legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

Security Council resolutions**Title**

[Resolution 2371 of 5 August 2017](#)

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

[Resolution 2375 of 11 September 2017](#)

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

[Resolution 2397 of 22 December 2017](#)

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Economic and Social Council resolutions**Title**

[Resolution 2017/9 of 7 June 2017](#)

Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

2 As the texts of the aforementioned resolutions have been circulated to Governments through other channels, they are not annexed to this document.

Resolutions adopted by the General Assembly

3 With respect to resolution 72/72 (on **Sustainable fisheries**), paragraphs of particular relevance to IMO are paragraphs 37 (section I) (invasive alien species), 67 (section III) (Cape Town Agreement 2012), 90 (section IV) (IUU fishing) and 104 and 106 (section V) (vessel identifier, IMO number).

4 With respect to resolution 72/73 (on **Oceans and the law of the sea**), sections of particular relevance to IMO are sections II (capacity-building, technical cooperation and IMLI/WMU), VIII and IX and, in particular, paragraphs 111 (fair treatment of seafarers), 112 (WMD theme), 113 (STCW), 115 and 116 (fishing vessel safety), 119, 123 to 127 and 131 to 141 (security, piracy), 142 and 143 (SUA and ISPS), 144 (protection of offshore installations), 145 (Straits of Malacca and Singapore), 150 to 152 (migrants and human trafficking), 154 (shipping lanes), 155 to 157 (marine casualty investigation, crime on board), 159 (Arctic),

161 and 162 (nuclear material), 163 (places of refuge), 164 and 165 (wreck removal), 166 to 168 (SAR), 169 (stowaways), 175 (Code for Recognized Organizations), 176 (substandard vessels), 178 (Member State Audit), 179 (Polar Code), 180 (passenger ship safety), 181 (port State control and GISIS), 182 (implementation), 184 (Sustainable Development Goal 14), 186 (pollution), 187, 188 and 212 to 216 (marine debris), 192 to 197 (ocean acidification), 198 and 199 (Paris Agreement, UNFCCC), 201 and 202 (alien invasive species, ballast water), 217 and 219 (air pollution, emissions), 218, 227 and 229 (LC/LP), 220 (reception facilities), 238 (ship recycling), 240 (Basel Convention), 241 and 242 (OPRC) and 243 (HNS Protocol), as well as sections X (marine biodiversity), XII (regular process), XIII (regional cooperation) and XIV (Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea).

5 With respect to resolution 72/123 (on ***Measures to eliminate international terrorism***), paragraph 14 is particularly relevant to IMO.

6 With respect to resolution 72/212 (on ***Strengthening the links between all modes of transport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals***), paragraphs 2, 4 and 8 are of particular relevance to IMO.

7 With respect to resolution 72/234 (on ***Women in development***), paragraphs 2, 6, 28, 52, 54, 57 and 59 to 62 are particularly relevant to IMO.

8 With respect to resolution 72/244 (on ***Modalities for the Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration***), paragraphs 4, 6 and 15 are of particular relevance to IMO.

9 With respect to resolution 72/249 (on ***International legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction***), paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 8 and 15 are particularly relevant to IMO.

Resolutions adopted by the Security Council

10 With respect to resolution 2371 (on ***Non-proliferation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea***), paragraphs 6, 7 (Transportation), 8, 9 and 10 (Sectoral) are of particular relevance to IMO.

11 With respect to resolution 2375 (on ***Non-proliferation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea***), paragraphs 7 to 12 (Maritime interdiction of cargo vessels) and 13 to 15 (Sectoral) are particularly relevant to IMO.

12 With respect to resolution 2397 (on ***Non-proliferation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea***), paragraphs 4 to 7 (Sectoral) and 9 to 16 (Maritime interdiction of cargo vessels) are of particular relevance to IMO.

Resolution adopted by the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations

13 The Secretary-General also received resolution 2017/9 of 7 June 2017 on ***Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system***, adopted by the Economic and Social Council, dealing with matters of relevance to IMO.

14 With respect to this resolution, paragraphs 2, 7, 9 and 10 are of particular relevance.

15 The Secretary-General, as usual, will follow developments and any conclusions reached, or actions proposed, in connection with these or other resolutions which may be of interest to IMO within the appropriate bodies of the United Nations system, and they will be reported to the Council in due course.

Action requested of the Council

16 The Council is invited to consider the information provided in this document and to comment and decide, as it may deem appropriate.
