FINANCING AND PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME
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THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Articles 2(e) and 15(k) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Organization in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical cooperation,

RECALLING ALSO the Strategic Plan for the Organization for the six-year period 2018-2023, which, inter alia, reaffirms the Organization's intention to continue implementing projects to provide targeted capacity building and technical cooperation; and to establish new and further develop existing long-term strategic donor relationships in its technical cooperation work,

NOTING United Nations General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/1 Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which sets out 17 Sustainable Development Goals 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 Organization's obligations and responsibilities to implement, through its standard-setting work and its technical cooperation activities, the aims and objectives of the Sustainable Development Goals and their targets, and the need to mobilize the means required to support with concrete actions the implementation of the 2030 Agenda,

RECOGNIZING ALSO the challenges of securing financing for the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme over the coming biennia, including the competition for limited development aid resources, and the forecast increase in demand for technical cooperation arising from the outcomes, for developing countries, of the IMO Mandatory Audit Scheme,
MINDFUL of the budgetary constraints of Member States and the Organization itself, and of the limited resources available to IMO for implementing the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme,

MINDFUL ALSO of the need to establish long-term, predictable, sustainable and flexible funding for the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme, maintained through diverse income streams, to facilitate regular and predictable replenishment of core funds and enhance the delivery of the core activities of the biennial Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme,

NOTING WITH APPRECIATION the actions taken by the Secretary-General pursuant to resolutions A.965(23) and A.986(24),

1 URGES the Organization’s development partners to acknowledge and respond to their obligations, as IMO Member States and in recognition of the direct relationship between the technical cooperation work of IMO and the effective realization of the Sustainable Development Goals, by providing and enhancing financial support to the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme through long-term sustainable arrangements;

2 ALSO URGES Member States to explore the alignment of their goals with those of the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme so as to generate resources through their Official Development Aid modalities;

3 FURTHER URGES Member States to develop collaborative multi-bilateral partnership arrangements to encourage South-South and triangular development cooperation through Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme activities;

4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General to continue to develop and enhance effective partnership arrangements in order to ensure the long-term and sustainable delivery of Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme activities;

5 INVITES Member States, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations and industry to engage actively in the support of Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme activities through, inter alia:

   (a) voluntary cash donations to the Technical Cooperation Fund;

   (b) financial allocations to the IMO multi-donor trust funds;

   (c) multi-bilateral arrangements;

   (d) voluntary donations of interest earnings under the Contributions Incentive Scheme; and

   (e) in-kind support through the provision of no-fee Technical Cooperation Consultants, hosting of technical assistance events and the donation of equipment;

6 REAFFIRMS its mandate to the Technical Cooperation Committee to devise innovative mechanisms for securing a long-term, predictable, sustainable and flexible funding strategy for the Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme;

7 REVOKES resolutions A.965(23) and A.986(24).