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THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 16 of the Convention regarding the functions of the Assembly,

TAKING NOTE of Article IV of the Agreement on Relationship between the United Nations and IMCO,

NOTING FURTHER the provisions of Article 27 of the Convention whereby the Council performs all the functions of the Organization between sessions of the Assembly,

NOTING IN ADDITION Resolution 724B (XXVIII) adopted on 17 July 1959 by the Economic and Social Council on the facilitation of international travel and transport,

HAVING EXAMINED the Report of the Council on this subject,

MOREOVER, RECOGNIZING the necessity, stressed by the Council, of simplifying and reducing the number of documents required of ships entering or leaving port,
RECOGNIZING IN ADDITION that the Organization should not neglect the problem of the transport of goods, which is of even greater importance to the merchant fleets of the world than the carriage of passengers,

NOTING that this aspect is not covered by the Resolution of the Economic and Social Council,

CONSIDERING that IMCO's action should be confined to the regulations of governments or public authorities in regard to ships entering and leaving port, or to those documents, varying both in number and character, which are consequently required to be presented at various ports,

CONSIDERING IN ADDITION that the first step in this direction should be taken by determined action on the part of each government,

RECOMMENDS that members of the Organization should give special attention to this aspect of the problem and should inform the Organization at an early date of the steps which they propose to take nationally in the matter,

APPROVES the action taken by the Council to ensure the cooperation of the Organization with the Economic and Social Council in regard to the facilitation of travel as envisaged in the Economic and Social Council's Resolution 724B (XXVIII) and invites the Council to pursue its examination of measures to facilitate the transport of goods by sea, taking advantage of the special knowledge and experience of the international organizations concerned, both inter-governmental and non-governmental, and to incorporate suitable provision therefor in the Organization's work programme,
RECOMMENDS that members of the Organization, inter-governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status should furnish the Organization with proposals or suggestions for implementing the Organization's work programme on this subject in order that such proposals or suggestions can be brought to the notice of all members and participating organizations,

AUTHORIZES the Secretary-General, with the approval of the Council, to convene a meeting of experts or to set up a Working Group, as appropriate, to advise the Council and the Secretariat in fostering specific aspects of the work programme in this field after the members of the Organization and the inter-governmental and non-governmental bodies concerned have had sufficient time to consider the proposals and suggestions mentioned in the preceding paragraph and to present their views to the Organization.