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THE ASSEMBLY,


NOTING ALSO Resolution 1 of the Conference on Revision of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea and Resolution 8 of the UN/IMCO Conference on International Container Traffic, recommending that provision be made for participation with the right to vote by all Contracting Parties to the respective conventions including those which are not Members of IMCO, whenever matters concerning amendments to conventions are under consideration in IMCO bodies,

RECOGNIZING the need for participation by all Contracting Parties to conventions in the process of amending such conventions and particularly the need for participation in that process by Contracting Parties which are not Members of IMCO when consideration of amendments is undertaken in bodies of the Organization,
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the view of Council at its thirtieth session that the provisions of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization permit the Organization to accord voting rights in IMCO bodies to non-IMCO Member States when these bodies consider amendments to conventions to which the non-IMCO Member States are Parties,

EXPRESSES THE VIEW that nothing in the IMCO Convention prevents the granting of the right to participate and vote to a non-IMCO Member State in an IMCO body when that body considers or adopts amendments to a convention to which that State is a Party, when such participation is provided for in the convention for which the IMCO body concerned considers or adopts amendments.

DECIDES accordingly that whenever so provided in a convention assigning functions in respect of amendments to an IMCO body, Parties to that convention which are not Members of IMCO or the IMCO bodies concerned, should be accorded the right to participate and vote when the IMCO bodies perform functions in respect of amendments to the convention in question.

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