WEATHER MESSAGES IN OCEANIC AREAS

RESOLUTION A.95(IV)
adopted on 27 September 1965

THE ASSEMBLY,

TAKING NOTE of the need for a better coverage of weather reports from ships on the high seas and particularly in areas where shipping is sparse,

TAKING NOTE of Recommendation 13 (CM: IV) of the Commission for Maritime Meteorology of the World Meteorological Organization, which was approved by Resolution 14 (EC-XVII) of the Executive Committee, in which WMO requests IMCO to co-operate in measures to publicize the contribution which ships can make to their own safety and economic operation by transmitting meteorological observations,

RECALLING Regulation 5, Chapter V, of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960,

BEARING IN MIND that it is only by the provision of radio weather messages from ships that an adequate weather forecasting service can be provided for shipping which is an essential service, particularly in tropical storm areas,

RECOMMENDS that governments should

(a) encourage and facilitate the recruitment of, and make arrangements for the issue of instruments to, selected and supplementary ships;
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(b) draw the attention of shipowners to the desirability of as many ships as possible co-operating in the auxiliary ship scheme (details of which are available at port meteorological offices) for the provision of radio weather messages in oceanic areas where shipping is sparse.