

ANNEX 15

RESOLUTION MSC.361(92) (Adopted on 21 June 2013)

OPERATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LRIT DATA EXCHANGE AFTER 2013

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO the provisions of regulation V/19-1 (Long-range identification and tracking (LRIT) of ships) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended (the Convention), and, in particular, paragraph 10.1 of the *Revised performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking (LRIT) of ships*, adopted by resolution MSC.263(84), as amended by resolution MSC.330(90),

FURTHER RECALLING that, at its eighty-ninth session, it adopted resolution MSC.322(89) on Operation of the International LRIT Data Exchange (IDE) with respect to the operation of the IDE until 31 December 2013,

BEARING IN MIND that, at its ninetieth session, it agreed with a proposal for the continuation of the hosting, maintenance and operation of the IDE by the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) and of its disaster recovery site by the United States beyond 2013,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-second session, the need to put in place all the necessary arrangements so as to ensure the continuous operation of the IDE after 31 December 2013,

1. EXPRESSES its appreciation to Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the European Commission for their generous offers to continue hosting, maintaining and operating the IDE by EMSA beyond 2013, at no cost to either the Contracting Governments to the Convention or the Organization;
2. EXPRESSES ALSO its appreciation to the United States for their generous offers to continue hosting, maintaining and operating the disaster recovery site of the IDE beyond 2013, at no cost to either the Contracting Governments to the Convention or the Organization;
3. AGREES that EMSA should continue hosting, maintaining and operating the IDE at EMSA premises in Lisbon, Portugal, beyond 2013, until advised otherwise;
4. AGREES ALSO that the United States should continue hosting, maintaining and operating the disaster recovery site of the IDE at the United States Coast Guard Operations System Center (OSC), subject to their national procurement regulations, beyond 2013, until advised otherwise.
