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**PROGRESS REPORT TO THE ASSEMBLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH
RESOLUTION A.1043(27) ON PERIODIC REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE
REQUIREMENTS IN MANDATORY IMO INSTRUMENTS**

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document is submitted in accordance with resolution A.1043(27) and reports on the progress during the 2012-2013 biennium in the periodic review of administrative requirements in mandatory IMO instruments

Strategic direction: 8

High-level action: 8.0.4

Planned output: 8.0.4.1, 8.0.4.2, 8.0.4.3

Action to be taken: Paragraph 5

Related documents: C/ES.27/9/1 and resolutions A.1037(27) and A.1043(27)

1 The Assembly, at its twenty-seventh regular session, adopted resolution A.1037(27) on the *Strategic plan for the Organization (for the six-year period 2012 to 2017)* of which Strategic Direction 8, inter alia, states:

"The Organization will periodically review administrative provisions of existing conventions and mandatory instruments with the aim of finding improved, more efficient solutions for those administrative requirements that are necessary. Those provisions of existing conventions and mandatory instruments that have become unnecessary and/or burdensome will also be reformed and/or eliminated without compromising safety, security and the protection of the environment."

2 The Assembly further adopted resolution A.1043(27) on the *Periodic review of administrative requirements in mandatory IMO instruments*. This resolution:

.1 requested the Council to establish the Ad Hoc Steering Group for Reducing Administrative Requirements, with appropriate terms of reference;

- .2 instructed the Secretary-General to submit, for the Council's consideration, proposals on the membership of the Ad Hoc Steering Group for Reducing Administrative Requirements;
- .3 also requested the Council to inform the Committees of these efforts to reduce administrative burdens and to raise awareness of potential administrative burdens;
- .4 further requested the Council to monitor the outcome of the periodic review process and its recommendations and to send a progress report to the Assembly at its twenty-eighth session; and
- .5 invited the Council to continue its efforts aimed at promoting the development and implementation of better regulations.

3 In accordance with operative paragraph 4 of resolution A.1043(27) the Council will prepare a progress report to the Assembly, a draft of which is annexed to document C/ES.27/9/1 and, for reasons of economy, is not attached to this document.

4 Any revisions, which the Council may make to the draft report in question at C/ES.27, will be reported to the Assembly in an appropriate manner.

Action requested of the Assembly

5 The Assembly is invited to take note of the Council's report on the progress during the 2012-2013 biennium in the periodic review of administrative requirements in mandatory IMO instruments, submitted in accordance with resolution A.1043(27); and to comment and decide, as it may deem appropriate.
