



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

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CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT TEXT OF ARTICLES OF THE
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE
AT SEA, 1974

Comments on proposed amendment to Article IX
of the 1960 Safety Convention

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If the Conference decides to adopt a text for sub-paragraph 2(f)(ii) similar to that of Alternative II in SOLAS/CONF/4, paragraph 2(g) as set out in SOLAS/CONF/4 is inappropriate. Also, paragraph 2(g) does not provide for the date on which an amendment comes into force in respect of governments which have accepted it after the required two-thirds have accepted it in the case of an Article, or in respect of governments which make a notification under sub-paragraph 2(f)(ii-bis) in the case of an Annex or Appendix. Therefore, the following text for paragraph 2(g) is proposed:

"(g) the amendment shall enter into force under the following conditions:

(1) in the case of an amendment to an Article of the Convention, the amendment deemed to have been accepted shall enter into force:

(A) with respect to the Contracting Governments which have accepted it on or before the date it is deemed to have been accepted, six months after that date on which it is deemed to have been accepted, or

(B) with respect to a Contracting Government which has accepted it after the date it is deemed to have been accepted, on the date specified in its declaration of acceptance, and

(ii) in the case of an amendment to the Annex or to an Appendix to the Convention, the amendment deemed to have been accepted shall enter into force,

(A) with respect to the Contracting Governments other than those which have notified the Organization in accordance with sub-paragraph (f)(ii-bis), six months after the date on which it is deemed to have been accepted, or

(B) with respect to the Contracting Governments which have notified the Organization in accordance with sub-paragraph (f)(ii-bis), on the date specified in the notification but not later than the date determined in accordance with that sub-paragraph."
