



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974
Agenda item 8

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ADOPTION OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE
AND ANY INSTRUMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND
RESOLUTIONS RESULTING FROM ITS WORK

Draft Resolution relating
to the Convention

Submitted by the United Kingdom

UNIVERSAL APPLICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

THE CONFERENCE,

HAVING CONCLUDED the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 to up-date the provisions of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960,

MINDFUL of the importance of achieving uniformity in giving effect to regulations within the Convention with a view to saving life of crew and passengers on all ships irrespective of the flag they fly,

RECOGNIZING that Article 19 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties prohibits reservations which are incompatible with the object and purpose of the Treaty in question,

RECOGNIZING FURTHER that Regulation 5 to Chapter I of the 1974 Convention provides for a procedure whereby equivalent standards at least as effective as those required in the Annex may be allowed by an Administration, which shall communicate the particulars thereof to the Secretary-General of the Organization,

URGES Contracting Governments to the 1974 Convention to use their best endeavours to limit any departure from the Regulations to what is provided for in the equivalent procedure in Regulation 5 of Chapter I,

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RECOMMENDS, nevertheless, that should it prove essential for a reservation to be made to the Annex which goes beyond the meaning of Regulation 5 of Chapter I notification of such reservation be made to the Secretary-General of the Organization, who shall circulate the particulars to other Contracting Governments for information and with a view to possible discussion within the Maritime Safety Committee.
