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THE ASSEMBLY,

HAVING ADOPTED at its thirty-second session amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization (IMO Convention) through resolution A.1152(32), extending the term of the Members of the Council to two consecutive sessions of the Assembly under Article 18; expanding the size of the Council to 52 Members under Article 16; allocating 12 seats under paragraphs (a) and (b) each and 28 seats under paragraph (c) of Article 17; increasing the required quorum for the Council under Article 19(b); and providing for authentic texts of the IMO Convention in all six official languages of the Organization under Article 81,

NOTING the provision of Article 71 of the IMO Convention that amendments shall come into force for all Members 12 months after its acceptance by two thirds of the Members of the Organization, other than Associate Members,

RECALLING operative paragraph 4 of resolution A.1152(32) inviting Members of the Organization to accept these amendments at the earliest possible date,

STRESSING the importance and urgency of the amendments to the IMO Convention adopted by resolution A.1152(32) with a view to attaining a representative, balanced, diverse and efficient Council that can support the interests of the whole membership and ensures the representation of all the major geographic areas of the world,

EMPHASIZING the need to maintain momentum towards the completion of the reform of the Council,

1 URGES the Members of the Organization to accept these amendments as soon as possible, with the goal of entry into force of these amendments by 2025;

2 INVITES the Secretary-General to provide any assistance needed with respect to the acceptance of the amendments to those Members who request it;

3 ALSO INVITES the Secretary-General to actively promote acceptance of the amendments to Members.

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