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THE ASSEMBLY,

BEARING IN MIND the purposes of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations concerning the maintenance of international peace and the promotion of friendly relations and cooperation among States,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization regarding the functions of the Assembly,

RECALLING ALSO the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC), adopted by General Assembly resolution 55/25 of 15 November 2000,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution 2482(2019) of the UN Security Council, adopted on 1 July 2019,

RECALLING resolution 4 (*Future amendments to chapters XI-1 and XI-2 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention on special measures to enhance maritime safety and security*) of the Diplomatic Conference of 2002 on Maritime Security, noting that, due to the special nature of the issues involved, it may be necessary to amend frequently the provisions on maritime security in order to respond, in a proactive manner, to new or emerging security risks and threats,

RECALLING ALSO the Revised guidelines for the prevention and suppression of the smuggling of drugs, psychotropic substances and precursor chemicals on ships engaged in international maritime traffic, adopted by resolution MSC.228(82),

RECALLING FURTHER the Guidelines for the prevention and suppression of the smuggling of wildlife on ships engaged in international maritime traffic, as set out in FAL.5/Circ.50,

CONCERNED ABOUT the illicit trafficking of humans, wildlife and goods by organized crime and the devastating impact on society caused by these criminal activities,

NOTING that organized crime negatively impacts society as a whole, and in particular the maritime sector,

NOTING ALSO that the safety of seafarers, port workers and everyone involved in maritime traffic is of essential importance to the Organization and its Member States,



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STRESSING that the International Code for the Security of Ships and of Port Facilities (ISPS Code) is a tool for preventing the illegal use of ships and port facilities by third parties and that seafarers and port workers must be protected and not criminalized for infringements of the ISPS Code by third parties,

CONVINCED that the fight against organized crime is a fight that has to be undertaken by all together, including international, governmental and non-governmental organizations, Member States and all private partners,

RECOGNIZING the need to continue to raise awareness in the maritime sector of the effects of organized crime, including the need for capacity-building and cooperation in the field of cybersecurity,

ACKNOWLEDGING the need to enhance the resilience of seafarers and port workers against the pressure caused by organized crime,

- 1 CALLS UPON interested Member States and governmental and non-governmental organizations to submit proposals to the Maritime Safety Committee and the Facilitation Committee in respect of organized crime in the maritime sector;
- 2 INVITES Member States to share with the Organization the strategies that in their experience have worked to mitigate the impacts of organized crime on international maritime traffic and port facilities.

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