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THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING Article 16(i) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization concerning the function of the Assembly,

HAVING EXAMINED the Report of the fourteenth session of the Maritime Safety Committee (paragraph 48(f), MSC XIV/20),

NOTING that there is no international requirement for cargo ships of less than 1600 tons gross to be equipped with radio-telegraphy,

NOTING FURTHER that such ships equipped with radiotelephony only may, in an emergency, be unable to contact coast or ship-borne radio stations when navigating through oceanic areas,

RECOMMENDS:

(1) that the attention of the Member States should be drawn to:

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- (a) the possibility of such ships carrying an emergency radiotelegraph transmitter with an automatic keying device sending the radiotelegraph alarm signal, the radiotelegraph distress signal, the call sign of the ship, the sign "LSN 2182" or "QSW 2182", a long dash for direction-finding purposes;
 - (b) the fact that some of the North Atlantic Ocean Station (NAOS) ships at present transmit weather information in the telephony MF band when requested on 2182 kc/s.
- (2) that ships occupying ocean stations in the North Atlantic should:
- (a) maintain continuous listening watch on 2182 kc/s;
 - (b) be encouraged to receive and relay AMVER reports by radiotelephone-equipped ships in so far as this can be done within the normal duties of NAOS vessels.
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