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APPEAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, OTHER
INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES AND DONOR COUNTRIES FOR SUPPORT
OF IMO'S TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PROGRAMME

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECOGNIZING the special importance of IMO's technical co-operation programme in assisting developing countries to achieve the highest practicable standards of maritime safety and prevention and control of marine pollution in accordance with the conventions and other international instruments developed in the Organization,

EMPHASIZING the vital importance of maritime transport and related infrastructure in the achievement of economic development and the promotion of international trade,

RECALLING WITH GRATITUDE the generous contributions in support of the Organization's technical co-operation programme which have been provided by the United Nations Development Programme, other international agencies and donor countries,

DEEPLY APPRECIATING the outstanding leadership of the Secretary-General in initiating, promoting and organizing a wide variety of activities and programmes in the field of technical co-operation for the benefit of developing countries,

1. INVITES the Secretary-General to continue his tireless efforts to promote and expand the Organization's technical co-operation programme with a view to continuing and enhancing assistance to developing countries in implementing the standards embodied in IMO's conventions and recommendations;
2. APPEALS to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), other international agencies and donor countries to maintain and increase their assistance and support to IMO's technical co-operation programme to meet the vital needs of the developing countries in the maritime sector;

3. STRONGLY URGES all Member Governments to ensure that their national authorities responsible for direct liaison with UNDP are made fully aware of the importance of IMO's technical co-operation programme and are adequately informed of the indispensable role of such programmes in implementing the standards embodied in IMO's conventions and recommendations, and to ensure that adequate priority is given to maritime projects in their country programmes with UNDP;
 4. FURTHER STRONGLY URGES Member Governments to request and authorize their representatives at the UNDP Governing Council, and also at national and regional levels, to convey to UNDP their support for the provision of funds for IMO's technical co-operation activities in the maritime field;
 5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to continue to report, as appropriate, to the Council and to the Committee on Technical Co-operation during the next biennium on the developments relating to the Organization's technical co-operation programmes.
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