

APPROVAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME DANGEROUS GOODS CODE
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THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING Article 16(i) of the IMCO Convention regarding the functions of the Assembly,

NOTING ALSO Articles 22 and 30 of the IMCO Convention which set out the procedure for consideration and adoption of recommendations and reports concerning maritime safety,

BEARING IN MIND the provisions of Chapter VII of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960, on the carriage of dangerous goods on ships,

BEARING ALSO IN MIND Recommendation 56 of the International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea, 1960,

RECALLING Section IV(12) of its Resolution A.64(III) concerning the Working Group on the Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Sea,

HAVING CONSIDERED the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code and the relevant recommendations of the Maritime Safety Committee contained in the report of the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC X/36, paragraphs 36-40), which report was considered by the Council at its fourteenth session and transmitted to the Assembly,

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DECIDES to approve the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code as represented by the principles enumerated in the general introduction together with the Annexes which contain the details of recommended practices for the substances in:

- Class 3 - Inflammable liquids;
- Class 4 - Inflammable solids,
Substances which are spontaneously combustible
or Substances emitting inflammable gases when
wet;
- Class 5 - Organic substances and
Organic peroxides;
- Class 6 - Poisons;
- Class 8 - Corrosive substances;
- Class 9 - Miscellaneous dangerous substances,

REQUESTS the Secretary-General to publish the Annexes referring to the remaining classes i.e.

- Class 1 - Explosives
- Class 2 - Gases
- Class 7 - Radioactive substances

as soon as they have been completed and have been approved by the Maritime Safety Committee,

RECOMMENDS the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code to governments for adoption or as a basis for national regulations,

FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to publish any amendments to the Annexes which do not affect the principles on which the Code is based when these have been agreed by the Maritime Safety Committee,

IN ADDITION REQUESTS the Secretary-General to reproduce the Code and Annexes in the four official languages of the Organization for distribution (two copies each) to Member States and to States which participated in the International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea, 1960, and for general sale.

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