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THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly in relation to regulations and guidelines concerning maritime safety and the prevention and control of marine pollution from ships,

RECOGNIZING that the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended, the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) and other IMO instruments contain provisions referring to performance standards and technical specifications adopted by the Organization,

NOTING the Guidelines on methods for making references to IMO and other instruments in IMO conventions and other mandatory instruments (MSC/Circ.930/MEPC/Circ.364), in particular paragraph 12 thereof concerning procedures for amendments to performance standards and technical specifications,

NOTING ALSO resolution A.825(19) by which it adopted the Procedure for adoption and amendment of performance standards for radio and navigational equipment,

BEING DESIROUS of establishing a uniform procedure for the adoption of, and amendments to, any performance standards and technical specifications developed by the Maritime Safety Committee and/or Marine Environment Protection Committee, in order to ensure that such standards and specifications are kept abreast of technological and industry developments,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its seventy-first session and by the Marine Environment Protection Committee at its forty-third session,

1. RESOLVES that the function of adopting performance standards and technical specifications, as well as amendments thereto shall be performed by the Maritime Safety Committee and/or the Marine Environment Protection Committee, as appropriate, on behalf of the Organization;
2. REVOKES resolution A.825(19).

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