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THE ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING that Article 1(a) of the IMCO Convention states that one of the purposes of the Organization is "to encourage the general adoption of the highest practicable standards in matters concerning maritime safety and efficiency of navigation";

TAKING NOTE also of Articles 22 and 30 of the IMCO Convention which set out the procedure for consideration and adoption of recommendations and reports concerning maritime safety;

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendations of the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC X/36, paragraph 103) with regard to lights and shapes to be carried by vessels towing dracones and by dracones under tow;

DECIDES:

- (a) to endorse the recommendations of the Maritime Safety Committee to the effect that the following special signals should be displayed:

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By day - The vessel towing will exhibit, where it can best be seen, a black diamond shape. The dracone, or the last dracone if there is more than one in line, will tow a float also exhibiting a black diamond shape, thus indicating the extremity of the tow.

By night - The vessel towing will exhibit, in addition to normal towing lights, where it can best be seen, an all round blue light visible at a distance of at least two miles, and the float towed by the dracone, or the last dracone if more than one is in line, will exhibit an all round white light visible at a distance of at least two miles.

- (b) to recommend that Member States should adopt the present provisions and publicize them as widely as possible.
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