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THE FACILITATION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING article VII(2)(a) of the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965, as amended, hereinafter referred to as "the Convention", concerning the procedure for amending the annex to the Convention,

RECALLING ALSO the functions which the Convention confers upon the Facilitation Committee for the consideration and adoption of amendments to the Convention,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its forty-seventh session, amendments to the annex to the Convention proposed and circulated in accordance with article VII(2)(a) thereof,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VII(2)(a) of the Convention, the amendments to the Convention the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VII(2)(b) of the Convention, that the amendments shall enter into force on 1 January 2025 unless, prior to 1 October 2024, at least one third of Contracting Governments have notified the Secretary-General in writing that they do not accept the amendments;

3 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in conformity with article VII(2)(a) of the Convention, to communicate the amendments contained in the annex to all Contracting Governments;

4 ALSO REQUESTS the Secretary-General to notify all Signatory Governments of the adoption and entry into force of the said amendments.

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Section 7 – Miscellaneous provisions

D. National facilitation committees

Recommended practice 7.11 is amended together with the associated footnote, as follows:

- 7.11 **Recommended Practice.** Each Contracting Government should consider establishing, in close cooperation with the maritime industry, a national maritime transport facilitation programme based on the facilitation requirements of this annex and ensure that the objective of its facilitation programme should be to adopt all practical measures to facilitate the movement of ships, cargo, crews, passengers, mail and stores, by removing unnecessary obstacles and delays, taking into account the need to combat illicit activities.*

* Refer to Recommended Practice 1.9.

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