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REPORT OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION
COMMITTEE ON ITS THIRTIETH SESSION

Corrigenda

Page 17, Paragraph 4.25

Fourth line, "the twentieth session of BCH" should read "the twenty-first session of BCH".

Page 25, Paragraph 7.21.2

Second line, the reference to "(MEPC 30/WP.20, annex 2)" should read "(MEPC 30/WP.20, annex 3)".

Annex 16, Page 35

Replacement page 35 attached.

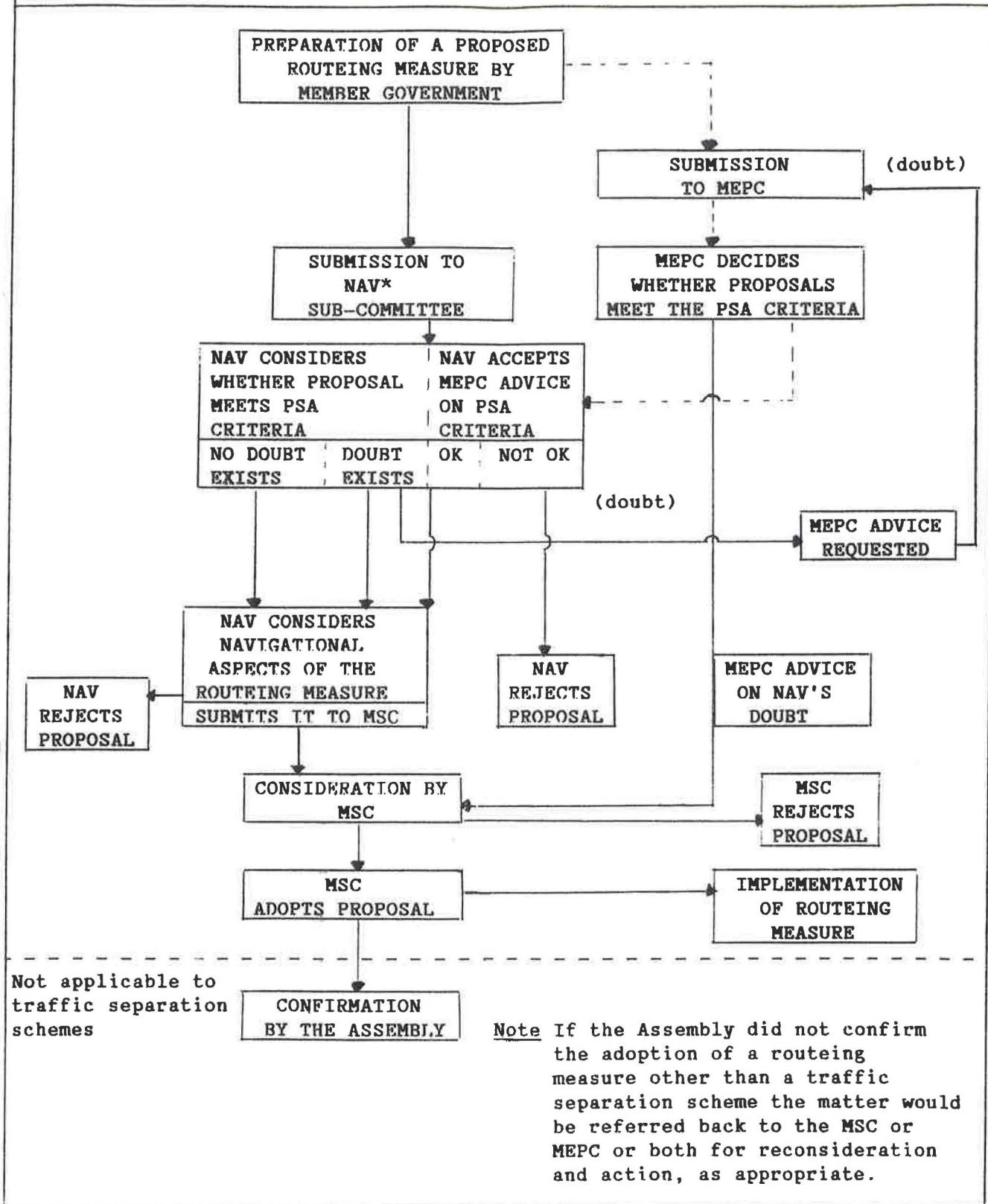
Annexes 17 and 18

Replacement pages for these two annexes are also attached.

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TABLE 9

PROCEDURE FOR ADOPTION OF ROUTEING MEASURES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REASONS



Not applicable to traffic separation schemes

Note If the Assembly did not confirm the adoption of a routeing measure other than a traffic separation scheme the matter would be referred back to the MSC or MEPC or both for reconsideration and action, as appropriate.

* Exceptionally MSC.

ANNEX 17

RESOLUTION MEPC.44(30)

adopted on 16 November 1990

IDENTIFICATION OF THE GREAT BARRIER REEF REGION
AS A PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE AREA

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

BEING AWARE that the Great Barrier Reef region has been inscribed on the World Heritage List established pursuant to the 1972 Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, the only exclusively marine area to have been so inscribed,

RECALLING that amendments to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, concerning the protection of the Great Barrier Reef, adopted on 12 October 1971, recognize the need to protect the Great Barrier Reef by defining the nearest land off the north-eastern coast of Australia as the outer edge of the Reef and prohibiting the discharge into the sea in its vicinity of oil, or oily mixtures, even in limited quantities, from ships,

RECALLING ALSO that Annexes I, II, IV and V of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto, recognize the need to protect the environment of the Great Barrier Reef, by defining the nearest land off the north-eastern coast of Australia as the outer edge of the reef and prohibiting the discharge into the sea in its vicinity of various harmful substances from ships,

NOTING that article 211(6) of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea is further evidence of the will of States to co-operate in defining vulnerable marine areas requiring a higher level of protection than that which generally applies,

NOTING ALSO resolution 9 of the International Conference on Tanker Safety and Pollution Prevention (TSPP) 1978 concerning the protection of Particularly Sensitive Areas,

CONFIRMING that the Great Barrier Reef fulfils the criteria for identification as a particularly sensitive area, approved at the twenty-ninth session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee,

IDENTIFIES the Great Barrier Reef region as defined in the Annex to this resolution [MEPC 30/INF.12 will be attached] as a particularly sensitive area in terms of the Guidelines for the Designation of Special Areas and the Identification of Particularly Sensitive Areas approved by the thirtieth session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee.

ANNEX

GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE GREAT BARRIER REEF REGION

The area is defined by the following boundary:

- (a) commences at the point that, at low water, is the northernmost extremity of Cape York Peninsula, Queensland;
- (b) runs thence easterly along the geodesic to the intersection of parallel of latitude $10^{\circ}41'S$ with the meridian of longitude $145^{\circ}00'E$;
- (c) runs thence southerly along that meridian to its intersection by the parallel of latitude $13^{\circ}00'S$;
- (d) runs thence south-easterly along the geodesic to a point of latitude $15^{\circ}30'S$ longitude $146^{\circ}00'E$;
- (e) runs thence south-easterly along the geodesic to a point of latitude $17^{\circ}30'S$ longitude $147^{\circ}00'E$;
- (f) runs thence south-easterly along the geodesic to a point of latitude $21^{\circ}00'S$ longitude $152^{\circ}55'E$;
- (g) runs thence south-easterly along the geodesic to a point of latitude $24^{\circ}30'S$ longitude $154^{\circ}00'E$;
- (h) runs thence westerly along the parallel of latitude $24^{\circ}30'S$ to its intersection by the coastline of Queensland at low water; and
- (i) runs thence generally northerly along that coastline at low water to the point of commencement.

ANNEX 18

RESOLUTION MEPC.45(30)

adopted on 16 November 1990

PROTECTION OF THE GREAT BARRIER REEF REGION

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

NOTING that the Great Barrier Reef has been identified by the thirtieth session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee as a particularly sensitive area,

BEING AWARE of the close relationship between safety of navigation and the prevention of pollution from ships,

NOTING ALSO that the navigation of ships carrying substances harmful to the marine environment through the Great Barrier Reef and Torres Strait area constitutes a potential danger of pollution to this unique area due to the risk of grounding or collision,

NOTING FURTHER Assembly resolution A.619(15) on the use of pilotage services in the Torres Strait and Great Barrier Reef area,

TAKING NOTE OF:

- resolution 5 - Intentional Pollution of the Sea and Accidental Spillages, adopted by the International Conference on Marine Pollution, 1973,
- resolution A.159(ES.IV) (Recommendation on pilotage),
- measures proposed by Australia for the protection of the Great Barrier Reef region, described in MEPC 30/19/4,

RECOMMENDS that Governments recognize the need for effective protection of the Great Barrier Reef region and inform ships flying their flag that they should act in accordance with Australia's system of pilotage for merchant ships 70 m in length and over or oil tankers, chemical tankers, and gas carriers, irrespective of size navigating the inner route of the Great Barrier Reef between the northern extreme of Cape York Peninsula (10°41'S) and 16°40'S and in Hydrographers Passage.

