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THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

NOTING that article 17 of the Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009 (the Convention) provides that the Convention shall enter into force 24 months after the date on which the following conditions are met:

- .1 not less than 15 States have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval, or have deposited the requisite instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession in accordance with article 16;
- .2 the combined merchant fleets of the States mentioned in paragraph 1.1 constitute not less than 40 per cent of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping; and
- .3 the combined maximum annual ship recycling volume of the States mentioned in paragraph 1.1 during the preceding 10 years constitutes not less than 3 per cent of the gross tonnage of the combined merchant shipping of the same States,

RECOGNIZING that the responsibility for determining when these entry-into-force conditions have been fulfilled lies with the Secretary-General as Depositary,

INVITES the Secretary-General, when calculating the combined maximum annual ship recycling volume of Contracting States as required by article 17 of the Convention, to refer to annually published statistical data on recycled gross tonnage of shipping, on the following basis:

- .1 for each Contracting State, extract the "annual ship recycling volume" for each of the preceding 10 years, by reference to the data on total gross tonnage provided in the table on disposals by country of breaking in that year's Lloyd's Register-Fairplay annual publication World Casualty Statistics; and
- .2 determine "the maximum annual ship recycling volume" by selecting the highest value occurring in the 10-year period for each Contracting State.

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