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THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO that the Assembly, when adopting resolution A.649(16) on the *Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, 1989* (1989 MODU Code), authorized the Committee to amend the Code, when appropriate, taking into consideration the developing design and safety features after due consultation with appropriate organizations,

RECOGNIZING the need for introduction into this Code of provisions for enclosed space entry and rescue drills,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-fourth session, the recommendations made by the Sub-Committee on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers, at its eighteenth session,

1 ADOPTS amendments to the 1989 MODU Code, set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 INVITES all Governments concerned to take appropriate steps to give effect to the annexed amendments to the 1989 MODU Code by 1 July 2016.

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- 1 After chapter 14 "Operating requirements", insert new chapter 15 as follows:

"CHAPTER 15

SPECIAL MEASURES TO ENHANCE SAFETY

15.1 Atmosphere testing instrument for enclosed spaces

15.1.1 Each unit should carry an appropriate portable atmosphere testing instrument or instruments*. As a minimum, these should be capable of measuring concentrations of oxygen, flammable gases or vapours, hydrogen sulphide and carbon monoxide prior to entry into enclosed spaces**. Instruments carried under other requirements may satisfy this regulation. Suitable means should be provided for the calibration of all such instruments.

15.1.2 Such instruments should be in addition to those provided with the unit's firemen's outfits.

* Refer to the *Guidelines to facilitate the selection of portable atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces as required by SOLAS regulation XI-1/7* (MSC.1/Circ.1477).

** Refer to the *Revised recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships* (resolution A.1050(27))."

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