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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 regulation IV/4-1 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended, concerning Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) satellite providers, which requires that the Committee shall determine the criteria, procedures and arrangements for the evaluation, recognition, review and oversight of the provisions of mobile satellite communication services in the GMDSS pursuant to the provisions of SOLAS chapter IV,

RECALLING IN PARTICULAR the Criteria for the provision of mobile satellite communication systems in the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) (resolution A.1001(25)) by which the Assembly adopted the criteria and requirements for mobile satellite communication services being designed for use in the GMDSS,

RECALLING FURTHER the Guidance to prospective GMDSS satellite service providers (MSC.1/Circ.1414) with respect to the provisions of resolution A.1001(25),

NOTING that:

(a) the Inmarsat Fleet Safety service conforms with all the criteria specified in the annex to resolution A.1001(25),

(b) the charging policies and provisions of the Charges for distress, urgency and safety messages through the Inmarsat system (resolution A.707(17)), as amended, are complied with,

(c) there is a well-founded confidence that Inmarsat Global Ltd. will remain viable for the foreseeable future and will remain in a position to deliver the required services over an extended period, in keeping with the expectations of the Organization and the maritime industry as to the continuity, durability and reliability of the service,

NOTING ALSO:

(a) its decision, at the eighty-second session, that the oversight of future satellite service providers in the GMDSS should be undertaken by the International Mobile Satellite Organization (IMSO),

(b) that Inmarsat Global Ltd. is ready to submit its Fleet Safety service to oversight by IMSO and sign the required Public Services Agreement (PSA) with that organization,
NOTING FURTHER that Inmarsat Global Ltd. is currently providing maritime mobile satellite services in the GMDSS (Inmarsat C, International SafetyNET Service and Inmarsat Fleet 77),

RECOGNIZING that the requested recognition is currently limited to the coverage area under the Inmarsat-4 Middle East and Asia (MEAS) region satellite, as this is within the satellite coverage of which Inmarsat has I-4 satellite contingency,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-ninth session, the recommendation of the Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue, at its fifth session,

1 RECOGNIZES the maritime mobile satellite services provided by the Inmarsat Fleet Safety service, in the coverage area under the Inmarsat-4 Middle East and Asia (MEAS) region satellite as set out in the annex, for use in the GMDSS;

2 REQUESTS the Secretary-General to provide a copy of this resolution to IMSO.
COVERAGE AREA UNDER THE INMARSAT-4 MIDDLE EAST AND ASIA (MEAS) REGION SATELLITE

The current coverage area for the Inmarsat Fleet Safety service as recognized for use in the GMDSS is the area of the I – 4 MEAS satellite that is overlapped by either the Alphasat satellite or I – 4 Asia – Pacific satellite.

The service coverage is Sea Area A3 in accordance with SOLAS regulation IV/2.14 within the limits as illustrated in the drawing, and in accordance with the guidance in resolution A.801(19).

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