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## INFORMATION ON STOWAWAY INCIDENTS

1 FAL 37 adopted resolution FAL.11(37) on *Revised guidelines on the prevention of access by stowaways and the allocation of responsibilities to seek the successful resolution of stowaway cases*, by means of which Governments were invited to develop, in cooperation with the industry, comprehensive strategies to prevent intending stowaways from gaining access to ships.

2 The above resolution also requested the Facilitation Committee to continue to monitor the effectiveness of the Guidelines on the basis of information provided by Governments and industry, to keep them under review and to take such further action, including the development of a binding relevant instrument, as may be considered necessary in the light of developments.

3 In accordance with Recommended Practice 4.7.1 of the FAL Convention, public authorities should report all stowaway incidents to the Secretary General of the Organization.

4 In December 2002, a Conference of Contracting Governments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 as amended, adopted the International Ship and Port Facility Code. These special measures to enhance maritime security (i.e. chapter XI 2 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention and the ISPS Code) entered into force on 1 July 2004. An objective of this Code, inter alia, is to prevent unauthorized access to ships, port facilities and their restricted areas.

5 Accordingly, Member Governments and international organizations in consultative status are invited to provide to the Organization the information on stowaway cases set out in the annex.

6 Member Governments and international organizations are further invited to encourage shipping companies, shipowners, ship operators, ship masters and industry organizations concerned to report the information in the annex and any other relevant information, for the purpose of assisting the Committee in its further work on stowaways. This information may be submitted to either Member Governments or international organizations for transmission to the Organization.

7 This circular supersedes FAL.2/Circ.50/Rev.2.

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**ANNEX**

**INFORMATION ON STOWAWAY INCIDENTS REPORTED BY MEMBER STATES  
OR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN CONSULTATIVE STATUS**

1. Name of ship
2. Type of ship
3. Flag
4. Gross tonnage
5. IMO number
6. Date of embarkation
7. Place of embarkation, including port, port facility number, berth and terminal information
8. Date of disembarkation
9. Place of disembarkation
10. Date/s of attempted disembarkations, if appropriate
11. Place/s of attempted disembarkations, if appropriate
12. Number of stowaways and its nationalities
13. Assessment of the effectiveness of the FAL Convention, section 4, and the associated revised guidelines on the prevention of access by stowaways and on the allocation of responsibilities to seek the successful resolution of stowaway cases, and any other relevant information<sup>[1]</sup>
14. Reporting Authority or international organization

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[1] The following information can be provided when available: Particular data on embarkation, presence on board, reason for failed disembarkation, disembarkation, repatriation and legal status of stowaways.