ANNEX 14

RESOLUTION MSC.448(95)
(adopted on 24 May 2018)

REVISED GUIDELINES ON THE PREVENTION OF ACCESS BY STOWAWAYS AND THE ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEEK THE SUCCESSFUL RESOLUTION OF STOWAWAY CASES

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

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

HAVING CONSIDERED the general purposes of the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic 1985, as amended (FAL Convention), and in particular article III thereof,

RECALLING the provisions of resolution A.1027(26) on Application and revision of the Guidelines on the allocation of responsibilities to seek the successful resolution of stowaway cases (resolution A.871(26)),

RECALLING ALSO that the International Convention Relating to Stowaways, which attempted to establish an internationally acceptable regime for dealing with stowaways, has not yet come into force,

RECALLING FURTHER that, in accordance with article VII(2)(a) of the FAL Convention, the Facilitation Committee, at its twentieth session, adopted on 10 January 2002 resolution FAL.7(26) on Amendments to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic 1985, as amended, which introduced a new section 4 on stowaways in the annex to the FAL Convention, prescribing Standards and Recommended Practices on matters relating to stowaways (the FAL provisions on stowaways), which entered into force on 1 May 2003,

RECALLING IN ADDITION that, for the purpose of this resolution, a stowaway is defined as a person who is secreted on a ship or in cargo which is subsequently loaded on the ship, without the consent of the shipowner or the master or any other responsible person, and who is detected on board the ship after it has departed from a port, or in the cargo while unloading it in the port of arrival, and is reported as a stowaway by the master to the appropriate authorities,

NOTING with concern the number of incidents involving stowaways, the consequent potential for disruption of maritime traffic, the impact such incidents may have on the safe and secure operation of ships and the considerable risks faced by stowaways, including loss of life,

NOTING FURTHER that the Assembly, at its twentieth regular session, adopted, by resolution A.871(26), Guidelines on the allocation of responsibilities to seek the successful resolution of stowaway cases (the Guidelines),

RECALLING that resolution A.1027(26) expressed conviction of the need to align, to the extent possible and desirable, the Guidelines with the FAL provisions on stowaways and to revise them in a manner that reflects developments in efforts undertaken to prevent stowaways, as well as to provide guidance and recommendations, taking into account the FAL provisions on stowaways, on measures which can be implemented by vessels to prevent cases involving stowaways.
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