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Agenda item 13 – INTERNATIONAL

13.1 IMO

11.1.1 Documents to note

13.1.1 Report of IMO TCC 63

Note by the Secretariat

1 SUMMARY

The 63rd Session of the IMO Technical Co-operation Committee was held at the IMO Headquarters, London from 10 to 12 July under the chairmanship of Ms Nancy Karigithu (Kenya). The Academy was represented by its Dean, Rear Admiral Jean-Charles Leclair and Mr Stephen Bennett, Programme Manager.

The report prepared by Stephen Bennett is attached.

2 ACTION REQUESTED

The Council is requested to note the report, as attached.

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The report on IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme deliverables for the 2012-13 biennium noted that 220 activities were delivered in 2012 which included 118 training seminars and workshops for 2,900 participants. ITCP expenditure in 2012 was US\$17.3 million. US\$25M had been budgeted for the next biennium (2014-2015). The Secretariat urged members to complete their Country Maritime Profiles so that the ITCP strategy could be completed for 2014-15.

The first day ended with a celebration of the World Maritime University's 30th Anniversary. Invitees include WMU graduates of which 3,700 have graduated from 168 nations over the past 30 years.

The Secretary General (Koji Sekimizu) reiterated the importance of the eight UN Millennium Development Goals (eradicate poverty; equality etc.) and their linkage to ITCP activity. He noted that the target date in 2015 was less than 1,000 days away. The UN and its agencies were developing another set of Development Agenda Goals which should include maritime development.

Under the Partnerships for Progress agenda item, the joint IMO/IALA VTS seminar to be held in Singapore in October 2013 was mentioned specifically. IHO Director Mustafa Iptes briefed the Committee on the IHO capacity building programme. The Dean made an intervention which emphasized the success of the joint IMO/IHO/IALA regional seminar on safety of navigation held in Thailand in June 2013. He underlined the advantage of these joint activities, and thanked IMO for its continued support. The Secretariat noted that outcomes achieved through partnership assistance contribute substantially to the effective delivery of ITCP activities.

The Committee noted that the global programme on Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme (VIMSAS) was one of the priority programmes of the ITCP and would be more so when the mandatory IMSAS started in January 2016.

The Secretary General stated that the IMO would generate a concept of a sustainable maritime transportation system which would be unveiled on World Maritime Day 26 September 2013.

Ms Nancy Karigithu was re-elected as chair unanimously. Mr Zulkurnain Ayub (Malaysia) was elected as vice-chair.

The Dean tasked the Programme Manager with preparing an information document on IALA's capacity building strategy to be input to TC 64 in mid-2014.



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