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SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION-RELATED MATTERS*

Unified interpretation of the date of completion of the survey and verification on which the certificates are based

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its eightieth session (11 to 20 May 2005) and the Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its fifty-third session (18 to 22 July 2005), taking into account the amendments adopted at MSC 79 and MEPC 52 which amended certificates to include the phrases:

“Completion date of the survey on which this certificate is based:.....” and
(dd/mm/yyyy)

“Completion date of the verification on which this certificate is based:.....”
(dd/mm/yyyy)

where appropriate, considered it desirable to facilitate the uniform implementation of the above provisions and therefore agreed to the following interpretation concerning the date of completion of the survey and verification on which the certificates are based:

“Where the completion date is indicated on the certificate, the date is based on the date of the last survey and verification visit, as relevant, on which all items required to be surveyed or verified have been surveyed or verified regardless if the items were found satisfactory or with minor deficiencies or non-conformities.”

2 Member Governments are invited to bring this circular to the attention of all parties concerned.

* In order to facilitate the identification and retrieval of information circulated by means of joint MSC-MEPC circulars, from now on such information will be disseminated through the following circular series:

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- 3 Casualty-related matters, as MSC-MEPC.3/Circ...
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- 5 Survey and certification-related matters, as MSC-MEPC.5/Circ...
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