

**RESOLUTION MSC.275(85)**  
**(adopted on 5 December 2008)**

**APPOINTMENT OF THE LRIT COORDINATOR**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

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

RECALLING ALSO the provisions of regulation V/19-1 (Long-range identification and tracking (LRIT) of ships) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended (the Convention) and, in particular, that, as from 31 December 2008, ships shall transmit, and Contracting Governments to the Convention (Contracting Governments) shall be able to receive, pursuant to the provisions of the regulation V/19-1 of the Convention (regulation), LRIT information,

BEARING IN MIND that regulation V/19-1 entered into force on 1 January 2008,

RECALLING FURTHER that regulation V/19-1.14 provides, *inter alia*, that the Committee shall determine the criteria, procedures and arrangements for the review and audit of the provision of LRIT information to Contracting Governments pursuant to the provisions of regulation V/19-1,

ALSO RECALLING that the Revised performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking of ships (the Revised performance standards) adopted by resolution MSC.263(84) provide in paragraph 14.1 that the LRIT Coordinator should be appointed by the Committee and in paragraph 14.4 that the functions of the LRIT Coordinator include, *inter alia*, the review of the performance of the LRIT system on an annual basis and the submission of related reports to the Committee,

NOTING that the International Mobile Satellite Organization has advised its willingness and readiness to assume the role of the LRIT Coordinator and to perform the functions and duties specified in paragraphs 14.2 to 14.5 of the Revised performance standards, subject to the provisions of paragraphs 14.6 to 14.7.3 of the Revised performance standards,

NOTING ALSO that the International Mobile Satellite Organization has also advised that it has put in place the necessary arrangements to the satisfaction of the Parties to the Convention on the International Mobile Satellite Organization which would enable it to assume the role, perform the functions and discharge the duties of the LRIT Coordinator,

DESIRING to put in place the necessary arrangements so as to ensure the performance review and audit of the LRIT system as from 31 December 2008, as well as for the performance of the other functions and duties of the LRIT Coordinator, as specified in paragraphs 14.2 to 14.5 of the Revised performance standards,

1. APPOINTS, subject to the provisions of paragraphs 14.7 to 14.7.3 of the Revised performance standards and within the framework of regulation V/19-1.14, the International Mobile Satellite Organization as the LRIT Coordinator;
2. REQUESTS the LRIT Coordinator to perform the functions and duties specified in paragraphs 14.1 to 14.5 of the Revised performance standards;
3. DECIDES that all LRIT Data Centres and the International LRIT Data Exchange should cooperate with the LRIT Coordinator when performing its functions and discharging its duties and to provide, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 14.6 of the Revised performance standards, to the LRIT Coordinator all data and information it may request to this end;
4. DECIDES ALSO that all LRIT Data Centres and the International LRIT Data Exchange should discharge, in a timely manner, their financial obligations *vis-à-vis* the LRIT Coordinator in accordance with the arrangements they may agree with the LRIT Coordinator.

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