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**FURTHER TECHNICAL AND OPERATIONAL MEASURES FOR ENHANCING THE
ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING**

Request to finalize a mandatory CO₂ data collection system for international shipping

Submitted by International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), BIMCO and INTERCARGO

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The co-sponsors request the Committee to finalize the global CO₂ data collection system at its sixty-ninth session, and to approve amendments to MARPOL Annex VI for its mandatory application, so that ships can provide the required data as soon as possible. The co-sponsors also reaffirm their continuing support for the "three-step process".

Strategic direction: 7.3

High-level action: 7.3.2

Output: 7.3.2.1

Action to be taken: Paragraph 6

Related documents: MEPC 68/21; MEPC 69/6 and MEPC 69/6/2

IMO data collection system

1 The co-sponsors welcome the progress made by the Intersessional Meeting of the Working Group on further technical and operational measures for enhancing energy efficiency (MEPC 69/6) towards finalizing a global data collection system that all Parties can accept. The information to be submitted by ships, as proposed by the working group, is an acceptable compromise between those primarily interested in having reliable information about fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions, and those that wish to collect additional information, e.g. about transport work.

2 The co-sponsors believe that the earliest possible adoption of a mandatory global system, using the data set out in document MEPC 69/6, is vital in order to:

- .1 demonstrate that Member States are serious about developing further CO₂ reduction measures, notwithstanding the absence of explicit text referring to shipping in the UNFCCC Paris Agreement, and to pre-empt the real danger of unilateral or regional measures being implemented in the near future, at variance to the global system which the Organization appears to be ready to approve; and
- .2 facilitate consideration of further CO₂ reduction measures, as soon as possible, consistent with the three-step process already agreed by the Committee.

3 The co-sponsors thus propose that the system described in annex 1 of document MEPC 69/6, and further elaborated by Japan et al. in document MEPC 69/6/2, be approved as mandatory amendments to MARPOL Annex VI by the Committee at this session, but otherwise without further substantive changes, so that the data collection system can be implemented globally as soon as possible.

Agreement to conduct further IMO GHG Study

4 The co-sponsors also suggest that a future session of the Committee should take a decision to conduct a further IMO GHG Study using data collected under the new IMO data collection system. This will help inform progress towards the delivery of any CO₂ reduction commitment that IMO may decide to establish for the international shipping sector.

Commitment to three-step process

5 The co-sponsors reaffirm their continuing commitment to the three-step approval already agreed by the Committee, the first step being the adoption of a mandatory IMO data collection system.

Action requested of the Committee

6 The Committee is invited to consider the above and to decide as appropriate.
