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THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

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

NOTING resolution MSC.97(73), by which it adopted the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, 2000 (hereinafter referred to as “the 2000 HSC Code”), which has become mandatory under chapter X of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974 (hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”),

NOTING ALSO article VIII(b) and regulation X/1.2 of the Convention concerning the procedure for amending the 2000 HSC Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its seventy-ninth session, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1. ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code, the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution;
2. DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2006 unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;
3. INVITES Contracting Governments to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention, the amendments shall enter into force on 1 July 2006 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;
4. REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in conformity with article VIII(b)(v) of the Convention, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the Annex to all Contracting Governments to the Convention;
5. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to transmit copies of this resolution and its Annex to Members of the Organization, which are not Contracting Governments to the Convention.

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CHAPTER 2 – BUOYANCY, STABILITY AND SUBDIVISION

- 1 The title of section 2.2.1 “Intact buoyancy”, is replaced with the title “Buoyant spaces”.
- 2 In paragraph 2.2.1.1, the following new sentence is added at the end of the existing sentence starting with “In considering ...” and ending with “... stability requirements.”:

“Where a buoyant space may be subjected to increased fluid pressure in the equilibrium position after damage, the boundaries and associated openings and penetrations of that space shall be designed and constructed to prevent the passage of fluid under that pressure.”
- 3 In the leading text of paragraph 2.2.3.2, the word “shall” is replaced with the word “may”.

ANNEX 1

Form of High-Speed Craft Safety Certificate and Record of Equipment

- 4 In the form of the High-Speed Craft Safety Certificate, the following new section is inserted between the section commencing with the words “This certificate is valid until” and the section commencing with the words “Issued at”:

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

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