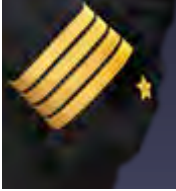




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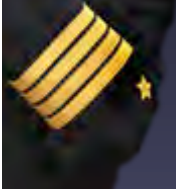
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Noted that shipping throughout the world employs multinational crews

Noted that delegates expressed concern that safety may be compromised due to a break down in communications in the workplace including emergency situations,

Recalled that a similar situation was alleged to have contributed to the Costa Concordia incident,

Strongly recommends that seafarers command of English be commensurate with their responsibility and the language proficiency identified in the STCW.



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Noted at the 2014 Annual General Assembly (Referring to Resolution 2014/1), the delegates approved a resolution in support of places of refuge in respect of situations such as the MARITIME MAISIE incident,

Recommend that Coastal States provide a single point of contact for situations involving vessels requesting a place of refuge.



The delegates of the 41st IFSMA Annual General Assembly held in Viña del Mar on 16 and 17 April 2015 support the statement that

- Considering, for example, the delicate situation in which the Chilean Merchant Marine has fallen in recent years, as a result of flagging out vessels,
- Being aware that Chile, and some other flag states, that have not ratified the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (MLC), leads to non-enforcement of these regulations by Chile and other Port State Control (PSC) authorities, as a result of which the requirements of the MLC are not applied, thereby reducing the aims of the MLC.
- The delegates noted, with concern, the poor response of the regulatory bodies of these States, which impacts on safety and conditions on board ships of non-signatory states, urges Chile, and all other flag states, to ratify MLC 2006.