Guide to Recovery Techniques

To: Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Officers and Crew

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Guide to Recovery Techniques. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 40/2006.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee of the IMO, at its 81st session in May 2006, approved the “Guide to Recovery Techniques” as annexed to IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1182.

2. The principal aims of the guide are to help seafarers to assess and decide upon appropriate means of recovery aboard their own vessel; train in the use of these means of recovery, in general preparation for emergencies; and prepare themselves and their vessel when actually responding to an emergency. The guide discussed several possible problems, as well as some of the solutions in recovering persons in distress at sea. It also suggests some practical recovery techniques, which have been used successfully to recover people in distress.

3. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1182 can be found on the webpage of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as an attachment to this Note.

4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, officers and crew are invited to observe the contents of the guide.

5. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 40/2006.

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