Amendments to the International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1640 to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual which will enter into force on 1 June 2022.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 103rd session, approved the amendments to the International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual in May 2021.

2. The above amendments as annexed to the IMO circular MSC.1/1640 become applicable on 1 June 2022.

3. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1640 can be found on the website of Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as attachment to this Note.

4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters and officers of Hong Kong registered ships are reminded to note these amendments and act accordingly.

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