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**CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS
TO MANDATORY INSTRUMENTS**

**Amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code in relation
to the International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC), 1972**

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document contains a proposal to include relevant amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC), 1972, adopted by resolution MSC.355(92), in chapter 1.1 of the draft amendments (37-14) to the IMDG Code

Strategic direction: 5.2

High-level action: 5.2.3

Planned output: 5.2.3.4

Action to be taken: Paragraph 4

Related documents: Resolution MSC.355(92) and MSC 93/3/Add.1

Introduction

1 The draft amendments (37-14) to the IMDG Code (MSC 93/3/Add.1) contains, in chapter 1.1, reproduction of regulations 1 and 2 of annex I of the International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC), 1972, based on the current text of the CSC Convention.

2 The amendments to the CSC Convention, as adopted by resolution MSC.355(92), contains amendments to regulation 1 of annex I, which will enter into force on 1 July 2014. Therefore, the reproduced regulation 1 of annex I of the CSC Convention, contained in the draft amendments (37-14) to the IMDG Code will be outdated when amendment 37-14 will come into force.

Proposal

3 Taking into account the above situation, it is proposed to include the relevant amendments to regulation 1 of annex I of the CSC Convention, as set out in the annex, into the draft text of amendment 37-14 (MSC 93/3/Add.1).

Action requested of the Committee

4 The Committee is invited to consider the proposal and take action as appropriate.

ANNEX

REPRODUCTION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION 1 OF ANNEX I OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR SAFE CONTAINERS (CSC), 1972, AS ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION MSC.355(92)

ANNEX I REGULATIONS FOR THE TESTING, INSPECTION, APPROVAL AND MAINTENANCE OF CONTAINERS

Chapter I Regulations common to all systems of approval

Regulation 1 – Safety Approval Plate

2 Subparagraph 1(b) of regulation 1 is amended as follows:

"(b) On each container, all maximum operating gross mass markings shall be consistent with the maximum operating gross mass information on the Safety Approval Plate.";

3 Subparagraph 2(a) is amended as follows:

"(a) The plate shall contain the following information in at least the English or French language:

"CSC SAFETY APPROVAL"
Country of approval and approval reference
Date (month and year) of manufacture
Manufacturer's identification number of the container or, in the case of existing containers for which that number is unknown, the number allotted by the Administration
Maximum operating gross mass (kg and lbs)
Allowable stacking load for 1.8 g (kg and lbs)
Transverse racking test force (newtons)";

4 At the end of paragraph 3, a new text is added as follows:

", at or before their next scheduled examination or before any other date approved by the Administration, provided this is not later than 1 July 2015.";

5 After the existing paragraph 4, a new paragraph 5 is added as follows:

"5 A container, the construction of which was completed prior to 1 July 2014, may retain the Safety Approval Plate as permitted by the Convention prior to that date as long as no structural modifications occur to that container.".