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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA; REPORT ON CREDENTIALS

Annotations to the provisional agenda

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document provides information on action the Committee will be invited to take in relation to the items on the agenda of its 109th session.
<i>Strategic direction, if applicable:</i>	Not applicable
<i>Output:</i>	Not applicable
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	As explained under each agenda item
<i>Related documents:</i>	Reports of the Sub-Committees and other documents, as specified

1 Adoption of the agenda; report on credentials

MSC 109/1	Secretariat
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The Committee will be invited to consider and adopt the provisional agenda for the session (MSC 109/1). A provisional timetable intended to serve as a guide for the conduct of the session is set out in the annex.

2 Decisions of other IMO bodies

MSC 109/2*	Secretariat
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The Committee will be invited to note and take action, as appropriate, regarding any decisions relevant to its work taken by TC 74 and C 132 (MSC 109/2), together with an oral update on the outcome of MEPC 82 and C 133.

* To be issued in due course.

3 Amendments to mandatory instruments

MSC 109/3* Secretariat

Amendments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention and associated instruments

(Contracting Governments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention are invited to participate)

3.1 The expanded Committee will be invited to consider, with a view to adoption, draft amendments to:

- .1 the International Code of the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code); and
- .2 the International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or other Low-flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code),

approved by MSC 108 (MSC 109/3). The above amendments have been circulated, in accordance with article VIII of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, by Circular Letter No. 4879 of 29 May 2024.

3.2 A drafting group is expected to be established to finalize the text of the above amendments.

4 Goal-based new ship construction standards

MSC 109/4* Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider any matters raised under this agenda item, in particular, regarding the audits carried out. A group may be established to progress the work.

5 Development of a goal-based instrument for maritime autonomous surface ships (MASS)

MSC 109/5* Report of the Intersessional MASS Working Group

5.1 The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the intersessional MASS Working Group (MSC 109/5) and an oral interim report of the MASS Correspondence Group, which was instructed by MSC 108 to submit a written report to MSC 110.

5.2 A group is expected to be established to progress the work on the draft MASS Code.

6 Development of a safety regulatory framework to support the reduction of GHG emissions from ships using new technologies and alternative fuels

6.1 The Committee will be invited to consider an oral interim report of the Correspondence Group on Development of a Safety Regulatory Framework to Support the Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships using New Technologies and Alternative Fuels, which was instructed, by MSC 108, to submit a written report to MSC 110.

6.2 A group is expected to be established to progress the work.

7 Revision of the Guidelines on Maritime Cyber Risk Management (MSC-FAL.1/Circ.3/Rev.2) and identification of next steps to enhance maritime cybersecurity

Having finalized and approved the revision of the *Guidelines on Maritime Cyber Risk Management* (MSC/FAL.1/Circ.3/Rev.2), the Committee will be invited to identify next steps to enhance maritime cybersecurity.

8 Measures to enhance maritime security

MSC 109/8* Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider an update on developments related to maritime security (MSC 109/8), including a report on related capacity building projects implemented by the Secretariat.

9 Piracy and armed robbery against ships

MSC 109/9* Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider an update on developments related to piracy and armed robbery against ships (MSC 109/9).

10 Unsafe mixed migration by sea

MSC 109/10* Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider an update on developments regarding mixed migration by sea (MSC 109/10).

11 Formal safety assessment

MSC 109/11* Secretariat

11.1 The Committee will be invited to consider document MSC 108/11 (Norway), proposing to update the cost criterion used in the Revised FSA Guidelines (MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.12/Rev.2) for the cost-benefit assessment of risk mitigating measures.

11.2 The Committee will also be invited to consider the findings that the FSA Experts Group had reported to SSE 10 (SSE 10/10) with regard to improving the Revised FSA Guidelines, which could also include the findings of the previous FSA Experts Group that had met in 2019 and had reported to MSC 102 (MSC 102/12).

11.3 The Committee will be further invited to consider document MSC 109/11 (Secretariat), incorporating all the suggested concrete modifications to the Revised FSA Guidelines so far, with a view to facilitating their consideration.

11.4 A group may be established to progress the work.

* To be issued in due course.

12 Ship systems and equipment (Report of the tenth session of the Sub-Committee)

MSC 109/12*	Secretariat
SSE 10/20	Report of SSE 10

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the tenth session of the Sub-Committee on Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE) and to take action as appropriate (MSC 109/12).

13 Navigation, communications and search and rescue (Report of the eleventh session of the Sub-Committee)

MSC 109/13*	Secretariat
NCSR 11/19*	Report of NCSR 11
MSC 109/13/1*	Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the eleventh session of the Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue (NCSR) (MSC 109/13), including an analysis of the scope of continuous outputs contained in the biennial agenda of the Sub-Committee (MSC 109/13/1), and to take action as appropriate.

14 Carriage of cargoes and containers (Urgent matters emanating from the tenth session of the Sub-Committee)

MSC 109/14*	Secretariat
CCC 10/16*	Report of CCC 10

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the tenth session of the Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC) and to take action as appropriate (MSC 109/14).

15 Implementation of IMO instruments (Report of the tenth session of the Sub-Committee)

MSC 109/15*	Secretariat
III 10/18*	Report of III 10

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the tenth session of the Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III) and to take action as appropriate (MSC 109/15).

16 Pollution Prevention and Response (Report of the eleventh session of the Sub-Committee)

MSC 109/16*	Secretariat
PPR 11/18	Report of PPR 11

The Committee will be invited to consider the report of the eleventh session of the Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR) and to take action as appropriate (MSC 109/16).

17 Domestic ferry safety

MSC 109/17* Secretariat

The Committee will be invited to consider an update on developments since the last session (MSC 109/17).

18 Application of the Committee's method of work

The Committee will be invited to consider any matters raised under this agenda item, as appropriate.

19 Work programme

MSC 109/WP.2* Chair
MSC 109/WP.6* Secretariat

19.1 The Committee will be invited to consider only duly justified urgent proposals for new outputs submitted to the session (MSC 109/WP.2), taking into account the decision by MSC 108 to extend the moratorium on submissions of proposals for new outputs in order to enable further consideration of the workload of the Committee and the sub-committees. In this context, the MSC 108 also agreed that only duly justified urgent proposals for new outputs should be considered at MSC 109, subject to prior assessment of all new proposals, including those deferred by MSC 108.

19.2 The Committee will be further invited to consider:

- .1 its biennial agenda and those of its subsidiary bodies; and
- .2 items to be included in the agendas for MSC 110 and MSC 111 (MSC 109/WP.6).

19.3 A group is expected to be established on the method of work and the workload of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies.

20 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2025

The Committee will be invited to elect its Chair and Vice-Chair for 2025, in accordance with its rules of procedure.

21 Any other business

The Committee will be invited to consider any matters raised under this agenda item.

22 Consideration of the report of the Committee on its 109th session

The Committee will be invited to consider the draft report on its 109th session.

ANNEX
PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Date	Item	Groups*
Monday, 2 December	<p>Opening of the session</p> <p>1 Agenda; credentials</p> <p>5 Development of a goal-based instrument for Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS)</p> <p>6 Development of a safety regulatory framework to support the reduction of GHG emissions from ships using new technologies and alternative fuels</p> <p>19 Work programme (workload of the Committee only)</p> <p>11 Formal safety assessment</p> <p>4 Goal-based new ship construction standards</p>	<p>WG 1</p> <p>WG 2</p> <p>WG 3</p> <p>[EG]</p> <p>[EG]</p>
Tuesday, 3 December	<p>3 Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments</p> <p>9 Piracy and armed robbery against ships</p> <p>8 Measures to enhance maritime security</p> <p>2 Decisions of other IMO bodies</p> <p>12 Ship systems and equipment (report of SSE 10)</p> <p>13 Navigation, communications and search and rescue (report of NCSR 11)</p> <p>14 Carriage of cargoes and containers (report of CCC 10)</p>	<p>DG 1</p> <p>[DG1]</p>
Wednesday, 4 December	<p>15 Implementation of IMO instruments (report of Ill 10)</p> <p>16 Pollution Prevention and Response (report of PPR 11)</p> <p>7 Revision of the <i>Guidelines on Maritime Cyber Risk Management</i> (MSC-FAL.1/Circ.3/Rev.2) and identification of next steps to enhance maritime cybersecurity</p> <p>10 Unsafe mixed migration by sea</p>	
Thursday, 5 December	<p>17 Domestic ferry safety</p> <p>18 Application of the Committee's method of work</p> <p>19 Work programme (remaining matters)</p> <p>21 Any other business</p> <p>– Reports of Working and Drafting Groups</p> <p>– Adoption of amendments</p>	
Friday, 6 December	<p>20 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2025</p> <p>22 Report of the Committee on its 109th session</p>	

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 WG 1 – MASS Working Group
 WG 2 – GHG Safety Working Group
 WG 3 – Working Group on Workload of the Committee
 DG 1 – Drafting Group on Amendments
 [EG – Experts Group on FSA and GBS]