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**HIGH-SPEED CRAFT (HSC) COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF  
SOLAS REGULATIONS V/18 TO V/20 AND CHAPTER 13 OF  
THE 2000 HIGH-SPEED CRAFT CODE**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its eighty-seventh session (12 to 21 May 2010), approved the declaration of High-Speed Craft (HSC) Compliance with the provisions of SOLAS regulations V/18 to V/20 and chapter 13 of the 2000 High-Speed Craft Code, as prepared by the Sub-Committee on Safety of Navigation (NAV) at its fifty-fifth session (27 to 31 July 2009).

2 Member Governments are invited to bring the information attached at annex to the attention of all parties concerned.

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## ANNEX

### **HIGH-SPEED CRAFT (HSC) COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SOLAS REGULATIONS V/18 TO V/20 AND CHAPTER 13 OF THE 2000 HIGH-SPEED CRAFT (HSC) CODE**

1 Due to the timing of the review and updating of IMO documentation, regulation requirements under the safe navigation provisions of the 2000 High-Speed Craft (HSC) Code are not keeping pace with technology. In practice this can be exacerbated by the time required for amendments to Class rules and those needing to follow changes in IMO documentation.

2 An unintended consequence of this situation is that the building of new HSC must continue to involve the duplication of equipment and the installation of large analogue individual indicators into small cockpit style bridge arrangements when the technology, including redundancy arrangements, would allow for integrated digital information to be displayed in a more user friendly, space efficient and ergonomic manner.

3 To overcome the difficulties mentioned above, High-Speed Craft may be equipped with navigation equipment and systems that take advantage of the latest technological developments permitted by regulations relating to SOLAS chapter V, e.g., standards for integrated navigation systems and alert management, provided that the equipment is of an equivalent or higher standard to the requirements of chapter 13 of the 2000 HSC Code, to the satisfaction of the Administration.

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