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GUIDANCE FOR APPLICATION OF SOLAS REGULATION II-2/19.3

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its eighty-ninth session (11 to 20 May 2011), agreed that the Committee, when it adopted resolution MSC.269(85), to amend SOLAS regulation II-2/19, concerning the special fire protection requirements applicable to the carriage of dangerous goods, it unintentionally applied:

- .1 regulation 19.3.3 to cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and above and passenger ships constructed on or after 1 February 1992 but before 1 July 2002; and
- .2 regulations 19.3.1, 19.3.5, 19.3.6, 19.3.9 to cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and above and passenger ships constructed on or after 1 September 1984 but before 1 July 2002.

2 Consequently, the Committee approved draft amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/1.2.4, to clarify the application of SOLAS regulation II-2/19.3 to existing ships, adding the following new subparagraphs:

- ".7 cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and above and passenger ships constructed on or after 1 February 1992 but before 1 July 2002 need not comply with regulation 19.3.3 provided that they comply with regulation 54.2.3, as adopted by resolution MSC.13(57); and
- .8 cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and above and passenger ships constructed on or after 1 September 1984 but before 1 July 2002 need not comply with regulations 19.3.1, 19.3.5, 19.3.6, 19.3.9 provided that they comply with regulations 54.2.1, 54.2.5, 54.2.6, 54.2.9, as adopted by resolution MSC.1(XLV)."

3 Pending the entry into force of these amendments, Member Governments are invited to apply the amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/19.3, as adopted by resolution MSC.269(85), taking into account the aforementioned intention of the Committee.