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## WORLD VTS GUIDE

- The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventy-first session (19 to 28 May 1999), noted that the World VTS Guide produced by IALA, IAPH and IMPA is now available on Internet as well as a conventional publication.
- The Guide is intended to provide shipmasters and ship navigators with clear and concise diagrammatic and written information regarding the navigational and operational requirements of a significant number of VTS centres throughout the world. It is a collation of the information already routinely provided by VTS centres to hydrographic offices for inclusion in official publications
- 3 Information on any of the VTS centres included in the Guide can be obtained from the Internet Web Site (http://www.worldvtsguide.org/).
- 4 The Maritime Safety Committee, considering the guide to be a useful publication for navigational safety purposes, invited Member Governments to:
  - draw the attention of VTS Authorities, which have established or intend to implement a .1 VTS, to the World VTS Guide in order to consider participation in the scheme;
  - .2 draw the attention of shipmasters to the availability through the Internet Web Site of the latest information available on VTS centres included in the Guide; and
  - ensure that information on VTS is also included in Sailing Directions, Notices to Mariners .3 and other official nautical publications carried on board ships in accordance with chapter V of the 1974 SOLAS Convention.