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International Organization for
Marine Aids to Navigation



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I – Consideration of reports and proposals received from member States, the Council or the Secretary-General

I.6.1– Cooperation with IMO and IHO

Cooperation and agreements with IMO and IHO

Submitted by the Council

The International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities has been for decades in close cooperation with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO).

As a non-governmental organization, the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities has held consultative status with IMO since 1961. In November 2024 France as the depositary to the IALA Convention submitted on behalf of the Organization a submission to the IMO Council in line with the procedures and terms of cooperation between IMO and intergovernmental organizations (IMO Assembly Resolution A.1168(32)). This submission intends to request formal cooperation between the Organization and IMO subject to the aforementioned Resolution. This includes primarily the right to observe and submit documents to meetings and conferences convened by or under the auspices of IMO subject to its procedures for meetings and conferences. At the same time the IMO may be invited to send observers and submit documents to meetings and conferences convened by or under the auspices of the Organization subject to its procedures for meetings and conferences. After approval by the IMO Council, the IMO Secretary-General will submit the request of the Organization to the IMO Assembly for approval.

The International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities has concluded a cooperation agreement with IHO in 2001. While the terms and conditions of this cooperation agreement still apply to the cooperation with IHO, the Organization needs to conclude a new agreement with IHO reflecting on its new status. The IHO Assembly has to approve agreements with international organization.

According to the Convention, Article 7.7 (m) the General Assembly approves agreements with international organizations.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS REQUESTED TO

The General Assembly is requested to approve the request for cooperation with IMO and the draft Agreement with IHO.