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Statement outlining the credentials of the National Member nomination for a position on the Council

It is with great pleasure that the Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness, in its capacity as a National Member for Denmark of The International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (IALA), submits its candidature for election to the IALA Council.

Denmark, as a major shipping nation with a strong maritime tradition and commitment to intergovernmental cooperation, has always been a strong supporter of IALA and its work. Denmark's representatives have made active contributions to the work of IALA's technical committees and held leadership roles in working groups.

If elected to the Council, Denmark will continue to make active contributions and share its experience in areas such as digitalization, autonomous ships and operation in Arctic regions. Denmark is actively engaged in preparing global shipping for the future. Denmark's vision for the future coastal state includes an infrastructure that maintains safe navigation for all ships, regardless of the degree of autonomy, as well as secure communication in-between ships and between ships and land. Denmark is actively working to bridge the work done by IALA, IMO and IHO regarding new solutions for the shipping of the future. The operation in Arctic regions also deserves attention from IALA as more ships navigate polar waters, and Denmark will strive to improve safety through improved risk management and aids to navigation.

Denmark has established the "Future Lab" in order to ensure that the work of implementing new technical solutions can move forward in areas where regulation is not yet in place – e.g. autonomous ships. Denmark also plays an active role in the transition to the new S-100 standard and is in the process of developing a new national AtoN registry based on the new S-201 standard as well as preparing for the integration of S-124 and S-125 in promulgation of navigational warnings and notices to mariners.

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The Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness respectfully asks for support for the re-election of Denmark to the IALA Council. In these times of change, we would like to have a seat on the Council to help set the future direction and strengthen the position of IALA as the leading body for the harmonization and drafting of standards for the implementation and operation of aids to navigation worldwide.

Yours sincerely,



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