*Reservation from Japan Coast Guard*

*Japan Coast Guard appreciates the IALA e-Nav Committee WG 3 + 4 inter-sessional meeting, held from March 31 to April 4, 2014 at IALA HQ in Saint Germain en Laye. We recognizes that the meeting developed various meaningful and useful documents though, we understand the pre-condition of this meeting is that any document developed by the meeting could not be approved by the Committee since the usual spring Committee meeting is cancelled due to the IALA Conference and so the document developed by the meeting may be submitted by each national authority if the authority feels to do so or can be submitted from IALA after the next Committee meeting, planned in October 2015, approved.*

*However, the Chair and IALA Secretariat proposed a sudden unusual procedure of e-mail Committee vote for the submission of the documents to the next ITU-R WP5B meeting in May 2014 and IMO NCSR 1 meeting in July 2014. Japan Coast Guard feels that this unusual procedure should be approved by both the Committee and the IALA Council before implementing the procedure. Additionally, Japan Coast Guard feels that this process of sudden change of usual Committee procedure that requires consensus from the Committee, not vote, should be clearly written in the report of the meeting in order to notify other Committee members at the next Committee meeting.*

*Therefore, regrettably, Japan Coast Guard has reservation to the documents submitted to the Chair of the e-NAV Committee and the IALA Secretariat for the e-mail vote and the report of the meeting.*