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THE COUNCIL

**RECALLING**:

1. The function of IALA with respect to Safety of Navigation, the efficiency of maritime transport and the protection of the environment.
2. Article 8 of the IALA Constitution regarding the authority, duties and functions of the Council.

**RECOGNIZING** the potential benefits of using drones to support AtoN operations from the perspective of personnel safety, environmental protection and cost efficiency.

**NOTING** that use of drones is an emerging technology with rapidly developing capabilities that offer Competent Authority (AtoN)’s potential new methods for AtoN operations with various benefits.

**RECOMMENDS** National members and other appropriate Authorities considering use of drones in support of AtoN services and operations, do so safely with due consideration to national legislations and guidelines. Guidance is provided in IALA Guideline [Drone Operation for AtoN Management GXXXX].

**INVITES** Member States and marine aids to navigation authorities worldwide to implement the provisions of the Recommendation.

**REQUESTS** the IALA Aids to Navigation Requirements and Management Committee or such other committee as the Council may direct to keep the Recommendation and Guideline under review and to propose amendments, as necessary.