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LIAISON NOTE

Revision of Guideline G1185 Enhancing the safety and   
efficiency of navigation around OREI

# INTRODUCTION

VTS58 reviewed the draft Guideline G1185 (VTS58-7.2.2) in cooperation with a representative from the ARM Committee. Furthermore, the VTS Committee reviewed input papers from China MSA regarding the draft Guideline from ARM (VTS58-8.7.1, VTS58-8.7.1.1, VTS58-8.7.2).

# DISCUSSION

At VTS58 considerations were made on how the draft guideline best could address relevant authorities and stakeholders in general. Furthermore, the VTS Committee agreed to propose to move the section on VTS to be a stand-alone section. In this regard the VTS Committee further agreed to propose to list and structure the mitigation measures sub-section and the navigational safety section according to the regulations in SOLAS Chapter V.

The Committee also agreed to propose to include reference to Guideline G1070 *VTS role in managing restricted or limited access areas*.

Together with a representative from ARM, the Committee agreed that the current R0139 *Marking of Man Made Structures*, might not be the suitable recommendation for this guideline. In this regard, the VTS Committee considered that it would be more appropriate for the Guideline to sit under recommendation R1010 *Marine Spatial Planning*.

Due to time constraint during VTS58, the VTS Committee could unfortunately not do a whole review of G1185. However, the VTS Committee will try to send representatives to the task group at ARM21 in order to finalize a new edition.

# ACTION REQUESTED

The ARM Committee is invited to:

1. Review and consider the attached revised Guideline G1185 *Enhancing the safety and efficiency of navigation around OREI* (VTS58-12.1.4).
2. Include GL1185 into Recommendation 1010 Marine Spatial Planning.