



15 – MEMBERSHIP

15.3 – Suspension and update on membership

Note by the Secretariat

1. BACKGROUND

All the members were reminded of the importance of continuing to meet their financial obligations to help the organization face the challenges ahead. As an exceptional measure and to facilitate their transfer from the Association to the IGO, the Secretary-General has decided to waive the contributions in arrears to all members provided that the contribution for the year 2024 is settled before the end of the year. These members would then be transferred to the IGO. Many positive reactions were observed, resulting in payments which continue.

2. UPDATE ON SUSPENDED MEMBERSHIP

- **Woori Haeyang, Rep of Korea (4RCOR04)**. Further to its suspension, this organization has reacted by paying its three-year dues in July. Its rights were reinstated.
- **STC B.V, the Netherlands (3PAYS03)**: this organization has settled the contribution for the year 2024 as a reaction to the Secretary-General measure. Its rights were reinstated.
- **Navmoor Limited, the United Kingdom (4ANGL40)**: this organization has settled the contribution for the year 2024 as a reaction to the Secretary-General measure. Its rights were reinstated.

3. OTHER UPDATE

- The Council may also note that to date, the **Ministry of Interior of Kuwait** has settled the equivalent of three years' contributions.
- No reaction was observed in the first instance from **Tanzania Ports Authority, Tanzania**. This organization has been a member since 1982. They owe four years of contributions. The Secretariat was informed of the change of management. In reaction to the Secretary-General measure and a recent mission of the WWA in the country, the Secretariat was informed that actions were undertaken to settle the contribution for the year 2024.

4. PROPOSED SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS:

Considering the strong measure decided by the Secretary-General to grant waiver of arrears and that the Industrial Members and Associate members of the Association were informed of the provisions of the Convention's Transition Arrangements 7) which states that: "All Associate and Industrial Members of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities up to date with their fees shall, subject to their formal request, become Affiliate Members of the Organization", all members concerned are expected to make an effort by paying their contributions for 2024 before

the end of the year, or at the latest, before the next General-Assembly in February 2025, if they wish to be transferred and keep their rights to participate in IALA Committees within the IGO.

The Secretariat will continue to send reminders as necessary.

THE COUNCIL IS INVITED TO

Note the update on membership and provisionally **decide** to suspend the rights of participation in IALA Committees in 2025 for all the organizations that will not meet their financial obligations consecutively to the Secretary-General's exceptional measure as described under **4**.