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9.2 – Committee Rules of Procedures

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IALA Committee Rules of Procedure

1. BACKGROUND

The IALA Council at its 61st session in December 2015 approved in principle the IALA Basic Documents (input paper PAP31-9.1.1). The Policy and Procedure – Committees that form part of the Basic Documents had been approved at the 59th session of the IALA Council, in December 2014.

At PAP30 however a need was identified to amend the Rules of Procedure again, as follows (extract of PAP30 report):

“Regarding the Rules of Procedure an amendment was requested for Article 2.5.7 introducing voting rules in Committees, noting that this was not against the Constitution.

Another amendment was requested for Article 2.6.5 about approval of Committee reports “before the meeting is closed”. This was found impossible to achieve without spending time at the end of the Committee meeting so it was agreed to take this provision out.”

2. ACTION TAKEN BY THE SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat amended Article 2.5.7 in accordance and submits a revised text as at Annex 1.

Approval of Committee reports had been taken out already before the draft Basic Documents were submitted to Council.

3. ACTION REQUESTED FROM THE PANEL

The Panel is requested to consider the proposed amendment to Article 2.5.7 and agree a revised text for submission to Council.



Annex 1 – IALA Committee Rules of Procedure

Proposed amendment to Article 2.5.7 - Decisions

1. CURRENT TEXT

Where agreement by a Committee on a specific matter is needed then agreement by consensus is preferred.

If consensus cannot be reached then the Chair should refer the matter for further consideration, to the Committee or to the Council as appropriate.

2. PROPOSED REVISED TEXT

Where agreement by a Committee on a specific matter is needed then agreement by consensus is preferred.

If consensus cannot be reached then the Chair should put the matter to vote. To be valid a decision requires a simple majority of the participants present at the session where the question is put to vote.

The Committees shall vote by show of hands.