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Draft a Guideline on operational Procedures for Vessel Traffic Services

# Summary

This paper provides input for the VTS Committee’s consideration in developing a new Guideline on operational procedures for Vessel Traffic Services (Task 1.2.1).

## Purpose of the document

The purpose of the input paper is to provide a proposal on granting permission to proceed for further consideration as part of VTS standard procedures.

## Related documents

Related documents include:

* *VTS49-8.2.5.1 Attachment 1 – “*granting permission to proceed” *–* CG3

# Background

Part of the Committee’s 2018-2022 Work Programme is the reviewing and updating of the IALA Recommendation V-127 on Operational Procedures for Vessel Traffic Services to:

1. Reflect the new IALA documentation structure. That is a:
2. **Recommendation:** IALA Recommendations specify what practices shall be carried out in order to comply with a Recommendation, and may be referenced, in full or in part, in an IALA Standard
3. **Guideline:** IALA Guidelines describe how to implement practices normally specified in a Recommendation.
4. Reflect new and amended IALA documentation since the existing version was approved in 2011; and
5. Ensure it provides an effective document to assist Competent Authorities and VTS Authorities to implement and operate VTS in a globally harmonised manner.

# Discussion

During the revision of a guideline on VTS communication and phraseology, experts discussed a procedure on granting permission to proceed and whether it was appropriate to include procedures in this guideline.

Noting the shape and form that the new Guideline G1132, the group considered that it would be more appropriate for any such procedure to be included in Guideline G1141 as part of the current review.

# Action requested of the Committee

The Committee is requested to consider the inclusion of the proposed procedure at enclosure in Guideline G1141 as part of the current review.

Enclosure:

Text for Inclusion in G1141 - Operational Procedures for VTS Ed1 Dec2018

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