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Draft Guideline on How to Develop a Safety Culture in VTS

# Summary

Considering the task of 1.2.6 Develop a Guideline on how to develop a safety culture in VTS (VTS Task Plan 2018-2022) has been launched in VTS 50 meeting and planned to be completed in VTS 51 meeting. Based on the experience of VTS safety operation and the practice of VTS safety culture, China MSA proposed the draft guideline on how to develop a safety culture in .

## Purpose of the document

The purpose of this paper is to provide input for the VTS Committee to develop Guideline how to develop a safety culture in VTS (Task 1.2.6).

## Related documents

VTS50-7.1.1.1 Updated VTS Task Plan 2018-2022 (2021-02-11)\_Rev1.

# Background

During the IALA VTS50 meeting, China MSA submitted a skeleton of guideline on how to develop a safety culture in VTS, which promoted the progress of the issue. Based on the original framework, this proposal provides the draft guideline for the IALA VTS51 meeting to develop the guideline on how to develop a safety culture in VTS.

# Discussion

Safety culture is the general term for safety concepts, safety awareness and various behaviors under its guidance. Safety culture provides safety guarantees for the production, life and survival activities of related organizations.

Safety culture plays a key role in ensuring the operation of VTS and the safety and efficiency of vessel traffic in the VTS area.

In the process of developing a VTS safety culture, stakeholders should give special consideration to VTS elements such as the professional characteristics of the VTS, so as to develop a VTS safety culture that conforms to the reality of the VTS and can give full play to its role.

# Action requested of the Committee

The Committee is requested to:

1. Draw the attention of Committee members to this input paper and associated attachments, and
2. Forward Attachment 1 to Working Group 1 for consideration in preparing the new guideline on how to develop a safety culture in VTS.