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Agenda item 9 – IALA TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES

9.4 VTS

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Note by the VTS Committee

1 Introduction

The VTS Committee was asked by the ANM Committee (now the ARM Committee) to add VTS questions to the aids-to-navigation questionnaire. Since there were many questions that were inserted we were advised by the ANM Committee to conduct a stand-alone VTS questionnaire. The benefit from doing that was that the VTS Committee could address the questionnaire directly to the VTS domain. The task was therefore added to the VTS Committee work programme 2014-2018.

At its 39th session the VTS Committee finalized this task and reached a consensus on the now presented IALA VTS questionnaire (C60-9.4.3.2).

2 Details of the VTS questionnaire

The questionnaire consists of two main parts of which the first should be answered by the Competent authority for VTS (15 questions) and the second by the VTS authority (32 questions). The questions asked are related to e.g. training, personnel and certification; service quality; equipment; information management and staffing.

3 Implementation of the questionnaire

The implementation of this questionnaire is envisaged to be completed by electronic means. Competent authorities for VTS will be notified by IALA Secretariat via e-mail with a link to the questionnaire on the IALA website.

4 Utilisation

Analysis of the submitted answers will be carried out by the VTS Committee in order to assist with the development and production of VTS related IALA documents. The collated and anonymous result will be presented at IALA VTS Symposium 2016.

It should be noted that the data received will only be analysed by IALA for statistical and research purposes. Respondents will in no way be adversely affected by taking part in the questionnaire.

5 Action requested

The Council is requested to:

- 1 approve the VTS questionnaire (C60-9.4.3.2)
- 2 approve that the questionnaire is published on the IALA website