

IALA COUNCIL
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Note by the Secretariat

1. BACKGROUND

The ENAV Committee submitted the Draft Guideline 1117 on VHF Data Exchange System (VDES) Overview to Council 63 for approval. This intention of the Guideline is to provide a greater understanding of the VDES concept by those involved in the development and provision of marine AtoN and e-navigation services.

2. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) REGARDING VDES

To further clarify the VDES it is proposed to provide a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding VDES on the IALA website. This initial draft Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding VDES will be further reviewed and expanded to answer questions 9 to 27 at ENAV20 in March 2017. However it is felt that information regarding the VDES should be promulgated as soon as possible and therefore it is proposed to publish the completed questions 1 to 8 immediately.

The finalised document is submitted as input paper C63-11.4.5.1.

3. THE COUNCIL IS REQUESTED TO

Approve questions 1 to 8 in the draft Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding VDES for publication on the IALA website.