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13.6 – Sea Traffic Management Verification project

13.6.1 Policy Advisory Group meeting of 12 September 2017

Note by the Secretariat

1. BACKGROUND

The Policy Advisory Group (PAG) met near Venice on 12 September, in advance of the project mid-term conference. IALA was represented by the Deputy Secretary-General, Michael Card.

The key points arising from the meeting were:

- The STM Validation Project and the new STM projects in pipeline were deemed to progress in the right direction
- The global nature of shipping and the difference in technical maturity level should be recognized
- STM as a contributor for safety of navigation should be further stressed
- Governance at different levels (global, regional and local) is a key factor

The report of the PAG is at input document C65-13.6.1.1.

2. THE COUNCIL IS REQUESTED TO

Note the above.