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8 – STRATEGY AND POLICY

8.1 – Position on the Development of Marine Aids to Navigation Services

Note by the Secretariat

1. BACKGROUND

This is the second of the two documents which describe IALA's strategy for its technical work, the first and high level document being the "Strategic Vision".

The "Position on the Development of Marine AtoN Services" sets out IALA's position or view on the various aspects of the development of aids to navigation in the near future

It is also the vehicle for carrying expressions of priority for work items, and also stating where and where not IALA will venture in its AtoN activity. It contains the "Trends and Drivers" relating to IALA's technical work. Its purpose is as a management-level document with limited technical content.

This position document is a "living document" and is reviewed and maintained by PAP at least once per annum.

2. MOST RECENT REVISION BY PAP

The "Position on the Development of Marine AtoN Services" was reviewed and brought up to date by the PAP at its 36th session in September 2018. The revised version is provided in Track Changes as input document C68-8.1.2.

3. COMMENT BY SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat is concerned that the position on RPNT and on DGNSS services and hardware still require revision, and submitted two documents to the 8th session of the ENG Committee, one from the Secretariat relating to Recommendations R-135 and R-150, and one from the Deputy Secretary-General regarding RPNT including DGNSS services. These had the desired effect of stimulating discussion in the PNT Working Group of the ENG Committee. The ENG Committee has suggested some minor changes to the "Position on the Development of Marine AtoN Services" which will be considered at PAP37.

The two documents submitted to the ENG Committee are C68-8.1.3 and C68-8.1.4, and provide background information for a possible discussion of Resilient PNT services at Council session 68.

4. THE COUNCIL IS INVITED TO

Note the information provided, suggest any other amendments that Council finds appropriate and **approve** the revision of the "Position on the Development of Marine AtoN Services".