

## IALA COUNCIL 68<sup>th</sup> session



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#### 13.2 – ITU

Note by the Secretariat

#### 1. BACKGROUND

ITU matters of importance to IALA at present are as follows:

- Development of VDES for maritime connectivity
- Maintenance of ITU-R M.1371-5 relating to AIS
- Mobile AIS AtoN
- Autonomous AIS devices and the use of AIS AtoN for non-AtoN purposes
- Preparations for WRC2019
- Preparation for WRC2023

IALA participates in meetings of ITU-R Working Party 5B (WP5B), where IALA is represented by expert Mr Stefan Bober, by kind permission of the German Federal Waterways and Shipping Authority.

#### 2. CURRENT ACTION

ITU-R WP5B met in the period 05 to 16 November 2018, at ITU Geneva. Mr Bober's report on the meeting is at input paper C68-13.2.1.

Five liaison notes were provided by IALA to ITU-R, all approved by Council via email procedure. They concerned:

- WP5B
  - Working document towards a preliminary draft new Report ITU-R M.[VDES-SAT] (input paper C68-13.2.2)
  - Working document towards a preliminary draft new Report ITU-R M.[VDES-SAT] – Annex (input paper C68-13.2.3)
  - Autonomous Maritime Radio Devices (AMRD) (input paper C68-13.2.4)
- WRC-19
  - IALA position on WRC-19 Agenda item 1.9.2 (VDE-SAT) (input paper C68-13.2.5)
  - Proposed Agenda items for WRC-23 (input paper C68-13.2.6)

The ENAV Committee prepared a briefing note on the importance of the VDES frequency allocations for distribution to IALA members in advance of the November meeting of ITU WP5B. This was distributed to members by email.

#### 3. COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO

1. **Note** the information provided;
2. **Formally approve** the submission of the above mentioned five documents to ITU
3. **Continue to advise** their national administrations dealing with preparation for WRC 2019 of the importance of VDES and in particular the maritime need for the satellite downlink frequencies.