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Guidance for Operation of Maritime VHF Channels in CEPT

# Summary

The accompanying draft CEPT (Conférence européenne des administrations des postes et des telecommunications) recommendation [1] states that ‘Due to the missing satellite part of VDES (Rec. ITU-R M.2092) the final development of VDES is not possible before a decision of WRC-19’ and proposes that the implementation of VDES is delayed until January 2024.

# References

[1] CEPT, ‘Guidance for Operation of Maritime VHF Channels in CEPT’, ECC Recommendation MARFG(17)025, 2017.

# Action requested of the Committee

The Committee is invited to:

Note the contents of the draft recommendation.

Consider whether January 2024 is a suitable target implementation date for VDES or whether an earlier date could be proposed taking into account technological advances made by the industry, and provide appropriate guidance to IALA membership.

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