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**GUIDANCE ON INTACT STABILITY OF EXISTING TANKERS DURING
LIQUID TRANSFER OPERATIONS**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) and the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC), noting concerns expressed regarding stability problems in the operation of existing tankers having cargo and/or ballast tanks without subdivision by longitudinal bulkheads, instructed the Subcommittee on Stability and Load Lines and on Fishing Vessels Safety (SLF) to develop guidance for the master to enable liquid transfer operations and tank cleaning operations to be carried out safely.

2 The MSC, at its sixty-fifth session (9 to 17 May 1995) and the MEPC, at its thirty-seventh session (11 to 15 September 1995), approved the Guidance on intact stability of existing tankers, given in the annex, for use by ship's personnel engaged in liquid transfer operations at sea and in port.

3 Member Governments are invited to bring this Guidance to the attention of all concerned and to implement its provisions at the earliest.
