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LIVESTOCK CARRIERS AND OTHER SHIPS REQUIRING INTERPRETATIONS
OF THEIR TONNAGE MEASUREMENT ASPECTS

Submitted by the Netherlands

- 1 In paragraph 13.7 of the report (SLF 36/25) to the MSC, the Sub-Committee recognized the economic impact caused by the transition from the existing systems of tonnage measurement to the new system for some livestock carriers as well as other types of ship. Reference is made in this respect to Recommendation 2 of the 1969 Tonnage Conference.
- 2 During the thirty-sixth session, an ad hoc drafting group discussed a possible solution to reduce the economic consequences of the final entry into force of the Convention and concluded that a uniform application by all Contracting Governments of a procedure, developed by the IMO, should be encouraged (SLF 36/WP.4).
- 3 The Netherlands proposes to prepare an IMO resolution in which all the Contracting Governments are recommended to make an entry on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) concerning the tonnage according to a previous measurement system of certain types of ships, which have to be remeasured. This entry can also be made on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) of ships measured in accordance with resolution A.494(XII). The draft Assembly resolution is given in the annex.
- 4 According to Recommendation 2, Contracting Governments, port authorities, and all other agencies which use tonnage as a basis for charges should carefully consider which parameter is most appropriate for their use in the light of their present practice. The entry on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) is necessary in this respect.

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ANNEX

DRAFT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

APPLICATION OF RECOMMENDATION 2 OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS, 1969

THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING Recommendation 2 of the International Conference on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, concerning the uses of Gross and Net Tonnages and recognizing that the transition from existing tonnage measurement systems to the new system provided in the Convention should cause the least possible impact on the economics of merchant shipping and port operations,

NOTING the full entry into force of the Convention by 18 July 1994,

REALIZING the economic impact caused by the transition from the existing systems of tonnage measurement to the new system for certain types of ship,

INVITES the Governments to advise the authorities, which use the tonnage as a parameter, to consider which tonnage parameter causes the least possible economic impact on shipping,

1. The Gross Tonnage according to the 1969 Convention on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969); or
2. The Gross Register Tonnage according to the measurement system previously in force, as stated under "Remarks" in an entry on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969);

ADOPTS the recommendation of which the text is given in the Annex to this resolution;

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RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF CERTAIN TYPES
OF SHIP ACCORDING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS, 1969

In order to minimize the economic impact of the Convention and to use a unified method, Administrations are recommended to accept the following principles.

1. The certain types of ship are the following:

Roll-on roll-off ships, passenger ships and other ships with exempted tween-deck spaces or similar exempted superstructures according to previous measurement rules. Livestock carriers with exempted livestock superstructures.

2. In the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) under "Remarks" an entry is made as follows:

The ship is remeasured according to article 3(2)d of the 1969 Tonnage Convention.

The GROSS TONNAGE according to the measurement system in force previous to the measurement system of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, is:RT.

or in case the ship is already measured according to the 1969 Tonnage Convention:

The ship is additionally measured according to resolution A.494(XII).

The GROSS TONNAGE according to the measurement system in force previous to the measurement system of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, is:RT.

3. The entry is to be signed by the tonnage authority issuing the International Tonnage Certificate (1969).