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**AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HARMONIZED EUROPE-
WIDE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INLAND NAVIGATION VESSELS
(ANNEX TO RESOLUTION NO. 61)**

Chapter 20 and 21, "Specific requirements for sea-going vessels,
recreational vessels and river-sea vessels"

Proposal by the Chairman of the Group of Volunteer Experts of the
Working Party on Inland Water Transport

Note by the Secretariat

It is recalled that at its thirty-second session, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation considered the draft chapter 20A ("Specific requirements for sea-going vessels") and 21 ("Specific requirements to recreational craft"), submitted by the Group of Volunteer Experts of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3). The Working Party approved the draft Chapter 20A as presented in document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2008/4. As for the draft Chapter 21, the Working Party asked the Group of Volunteer Experts to remove the reference to EC directives in point 21.2.2 and to

reconsider point 21-3, as some delegations were not convinced that all recreational craft required two people on board (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/64, para.12).

In response to these comments, the chairman of the Group of Volunteer Experts proposes to replace references to the EC directives by the reference to international regulations and standards for recreational vessels to be placed on the European market. As for the crew requirement, the chairman suggests that the proposed requirement be maintained, given that it would only apply to recreational craft with a length of 20 m or more, and that the second person would only be required to help with ship's maneuvering.

The revised text of the draft Chapter 21 is reproduced below. The Working Party may wish to consider it and, if appropriate, forward the proposal to the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) for approval.

I. DRAFT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO RECREATIONAL VESSELS

1. The Group of Volunteer Experts proposes to include in the Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (annex to resolution No. 61) a new Chapter 21 to be drafted as follows:^{1/}

Chapter 21 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO RECREATIONAL VESSELS

21-1 GENERAL

21-1 Recreational vessels shall meet the following requirements:

- (a) Articles 21-2 and 21-3 shall apply to the construction, equipment and manning of recreational vessels.
- (b) Article 1-1.2 (ii) is not applicable.

21-2 REQUIREMENTS TO RECREATIONAL VESSELS

21-2.1 Recreational vessels shall meet the following requirements:

- (a) from Chapters 3 and 4:

Article 3-1.1, Article 3-1.2, first paragraph, Articles 3-4.1.1, 3-4.1.2, 3-4.1.3 and 4-4.3.7;
- (b) Chapter 5;

^{1/} Draft chapter as approved by Group of Volunteer experts on 11 December 2007 and revised by the chairman of the group on 23 May 2008.

- (c) from Chapter 6:
Article 6-1.1 and Article 6-8;
- (d) from Chapter 7:
Article 7-1.5, Article 7-2, Articles 7-3.1 and 7-3.2, Article 7-1.1, Article 7-1.6, Article 7-6.7 [if there is a wheelhouse designed for radar navigation by one person];
- (e) from Chapters 8 and 8B:
Article 8-1.1.1, first paragraph, 8-1.1.3 and 8-1.1.4, Articles 8-1.1.6, 8-1.3.1 and 8-1.3.2, Article 8-1.4, Article 8-1.5.1, Article 8-1.5.2 second sentence, Article 8-1.5.6, Article 8-1.5.9, Article 8-1.5.10, Article 8-1.5.11, Article 8-1.5.12, Article 8-1.5.13 second sentence, Article 8-1.6.1, Article 8-1.6.2, Article 8-1.6.5, Article 8-1.6.7, Article 8B-1.5, Article 8B-1.2 and Article 8B-8;
- (f) from Chapter 9:
Article 9-1.1.1, *mutatis mutandis*;
- (g) from Chapter 10:
Article 10-1.2.1, the last paragraph or Article 10-1.2.2, Articles 10-1.3.1 and 10-1.3.3, Article 10-1.2.3, Article 10-1.1.3, Article 10-1.1.2, Article 10-1.5.1, the last sentence, Article 10-1.4.1 and 10-1.4.2, Article 10-1.4.3, Article 10-1.4.4, Article 10-2.1, first, second and twelfth bullet points, Article 10-1.4.5, Article 10-2.1 third, seventh, ninth and tenth bullet points, Article 10-3.1, subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iv), however, there shall be at least two fire extinguishers on board; Article 10-3.2 and Article 10-3.5. 10-3.7 and 10-3.8, Articles 10-5.4.2 and 10-5.4.3; a fixed fire-extinguishing installation, if fitted, shall comply with Article 10-3.6, and an automatic fire detection system – with Article 8-2.6.
- (h) Chapter 14;
- (i) Chapter 22B:
Article 22B-5.1.

21-2.2 For recreational vessels (between 20 m and 24 m) subject to international regulations and standards for recreational vessels to be placed on the European market, first inspection and periodical inspections only extend to:

- (a) Article 6-8, if there is a rate-of-turn indicator;
- (b) Article 7-1.5, Article 7-2, Article 7-3.1, and Article 7-6.7 if there is a wheelhouse designed for radar navigation by one person;

- (c) Articles 8-1.1.3 and 8-1.1.4, Article 8-1.3.1, Article 8-1.1.6, Article 8-1.5.10, the last sentence, Article 8-1.6.2 and Article 8B-8;
- (d) Article 10-1.2.1, the last paragraph, Article 10-1.2.2, Articles 10-1.3.1 and 10-1.3.3, Article 10-1.2.3, Article 10-1.4.4, Article 10-2.1, first and second subparagraphs 1, 2, Article 10-1.4.5, Article 10-2.1 subparagraphs third, seventh, ninth, tenth, Article 10-3.1, subparagraphs (ii) and (iv); 10-3.2 and Article 10-3.5, Articles 10-5.4.2 and 10-5.4.3;
- (e) from Chapter 14:
 - (i) Article 14-12;
 - (ii) Article 14-13; the acceptance test after putting into service of the liquefied gas installation shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of international regulations and standards for recreational vessels to be placed on the European market, and an acceptance report shall be submitted to the inspection body;
 - (iii) Articles 14-14 and 14-15; the liquefied gas installation shall be in accordance with the requirements of international regulations and standards for recreational vessels to be placed on the European market;
 - (iv) Chapter 14 entirely, if the liquefied gas installation is fitted after placing the recreational vessels on the market.

21-3 APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER 23

21-3.1 Chapter 23 is not applicable. The crew shall consist of:

- (a) a certified boatmaster;
- (b) a person who can help with ship's manoeuvring.
