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**AMENDMENTS TO INSPECTION PROGRAMMES FOR CARGO TRANSPORT UNITS
CARRYING DANGEROUS GOODS**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its ninety-sixth session (11 to 20 May 2016), approved amendments to Inspection programmes for cargo transport units carrying dangerous goods (MSC.1/Circ.1442), set out in the annex, which are consequential to the amendments (38-16) to the IMDG Code, as adopted by resolution MSC.406(96).

2 Member States are invited to bring the annexed amendments to MSC.1/Circ.1442 to the attention of all concerned, taking into account the voluntary application date of 1 January 2017 of amendment (38-16) of the IMDG Code, pending its envisaged mandatory entry into force date of 1 January 2018.

ANNEX

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Cover page

- 1 In paragraph 3 of the cover page, add a new last sentence as follows:

"In cases where the safety of the transport of dangerous goods is compromised as a result of serious or repeated infringements by an enterprise which has its headquarters on the territory of another competent authority, that competent authority should be notified of such infringements in order to investigate and take actions against those responsible."

ANNEX 1

GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INSPECTION OF CARGO TRANSPORT UNITS

2 Targeting methodology and undeclared dangerous goods

- 2 In paragraph 2.2, a new subparagraph .3 is added as follows:

".3 Reporting between competent authorities in cases where the safety of the transport of dangerous goods is compromised as a result of serious or repeated infringements by an enterprise which has its headquarters on the territory of another competent authority is strongly encouraged."

- 3 In paragraph 2.3, after the words "national legislation," insert ", including, but not limited to reporting the non-compliance to the competent authority of the State in which the infringing enterprise has its headquarters,"

5 Items to check during an inspection

Control actions for deficiencies

General procedures

- 4 In paragraph 5.11, above the heading "Serious structural deficiencies" a new subparagraph ".4" is added as follows:

".4 Reporting deficiencies to the relevant competent authority in cases where the safety of the transport of dangerous goods is compromised as a result of serious or repeated infringements by an enterprise which has its headquarters on the territory of another competent authority."

and the remaining subparagraphs are renumbered accordingly.

Serious structural deficiencies

- 5 In paragraph 5.11, in the new subparagraph ".9", after the words "If a discrepancy involves", insert the words "the non-declaration or misdeclaration of cargo,"