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**AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDATION ON
PILOT TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS (RESOLUTION A.1045(27))**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization regarding the functions of the Assembly in relation to regulations and guidelines concerning maritime safety,

RECALLING ALSO the provisions of regulation V/23 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution A.1045(27) by which it adopted the *Recommendation on pilot transfer arrangements*,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its ninety-fifth session,

- 1 ADOPTS the amendments to the *Recommendation on pilot transfer arrangements* (resolution A.1045(27)), set out in the annex to the present resolution;
- 2 INVITES Governments to draw the attention of all concerned to these amendments to the Recommendation;
- 3 REQUESTS Governments to ensure that pilot ladders and their arrangements, use and maintenance conform to standards not inferior to those set out in the annex to resolution A.1045(27), as amended by the present resolution.

Annex

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PILOT TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS (RESOLUTION A.1045(27))**

5 ACCESS TO DECK

The existing paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2 are amended to read as follows:

- "1 a gateway in the rails or bulwark, adequate handholds should be provided at the point of embarking on or disembarking from the ship on each side which should be not less than 0.7 m or more than 0.8 m apart. Each handhold should be rigidly secured to the ship's structure at or near its base and also at a higher point, should be not less than 32 mm in diameter and should extend not less than 1.2 m above the deck to which it is fitted; and

- .2 a bulwark ladder, two separate handhold stanchions should be fitted at the point of embarking on or disembarking from the ship on each side which should be not less than 0.7 m or more than 0.8 m apart. The bulwark ladder should be securely attached to the ship to prevent overturning. Each stanchion should be rigidly secured to the ship's structure at or near its base and also at a higher point, should be not less than 32 mm in diameter and should extend not less than 1.2 m above the top of the bulwarks. Stanchions or handrails should not be attached to the bulwark ladder."