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PROPOSED ACCREDITATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME PILOTS' ASSOCIATION (IMPA) AS A NON-GOVERNMENTAL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION (NGIO)

Reference: IHO Administrative Resolution T1.2

Dear Hydrographer,

- 1. The International Maritime Pilots' Association has recently applied to the IHB for accreditation as an NGIO. The Directing Committee has carefully examined this application and is satisfied that this organization fully complies with the criteria specified in Resolution T1.2.
- 2. Furthermore, the Directing Committee is confident that the IMPA can positively contribute to the work of the IHO in view of its existing active participation in relevant international maritime fora. In particular, it should be noted that the IMPA has enjoyed accredited consultative membership at the IMO for many years and IMPA delegates make significant contributions to various aspects of the work of IMO through their participation in its many Committees and Working Groups. More information on the IMPA may be found on their website: www.impahq.org.
- 3. Member States are kindly invited to consider IMPA's application for IHO accreditation and to submit any objections or comments that they might have **by 1**st **June 2008**. Subsequently, the Directing Committee will notify the Secretary General of IMPA of the outcome of its consultation with IHO Member States.

On behalf of the Directing Committee, Yours sincerely,

> Captain Robert WARD Director