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Explanatory Note
Item X.X
Germany

Production, payoff and accessibility of INT120 and ENC DE110000

DE110000 BALTIC SEA as the digital equivalent of INT120 (German chart 98) is produced by agreement of BSHC member states by Germany.

BSH is routinely approaching all BSHC members for source data in order to keep both INT120 and ENC DE110000 up to date. Doing so, all of the incoming source data have to be laboriously rescaled and generalised. INT120 is adopted by SHOM and UKHO but mainly sold as part of the BA folio. The ENC DE110000 is marketed via IC-ENC and enjoys moderate sales with modest increase. Both revenue channels do not cover internal production costs.

BSH was recently approached by some member states for two issues in relation to ENC DE110000:

- To adopt payoff of royalty shares proportional to their respective contribution in geographic coverage;
- To get access to the cell for national non-SOLAS use in unencrypted form.

The attachment to this Explanatory Note contains the estimated percentage of each member state in relation to the total geographic coverage and the calculated share of royalties.

Germany agrees in principle with the adoption of the proposed royalty share payoff into the various Bilateral Arrangements. However, due to its small amount in geographic partition, Germany´s efforts for editing and maintaining the ENC DE110000 would no longer be reimbursed from its royalty share. Germany is therefore proposing

- that another member state holding greater percentage in geographic partition takes over as producer of both INT120 and ENC DE110000;, or
- member states abstain from royalty share payoff; Germany carries on with the production of both INT120 and the matching ENC; member states provide their source data in a compatible scale; Germany delivers ENC DE110000 unencrypted, free of charge without any further limitation to each of the member states for any non-SOLAS use. DE110000 and INT120 are to be removed from the Bilateral Arrangements where applicable.

The Conference is invited to take note and decide appropriately.