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UNSAFE PRACTICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRAFFICKING OR TRANSPORT OF MIGRANTS BY SEA

Second biannual report

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventieth session (7 to 11 December 1998), in approving MSC/Circ.896 on Interim measures for combating unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of illegal migrants by sea, invited Member Governments to promptly convey to the Organization reports on relevant incidents and measures taken to enable the updating or revising of the circular.

2 The Committee, at its seventy-third session (27 November to 6 December 2000), agreed to establish a reporting procedure for dissemination by the Secretariat on a biannual basis and urged Governments and international organizations to promptly report all unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of illegal migrants by sea they are aware of.

3 The Committee, at its seventy-fourth session (30 May to 8 June 2001), in the light of the reports recorded and proposals made by Governments, approved amendments to the annex to MSC/Circ.896. The report format appended to MSC/Circ.896/Rev.1 should be used for such reports.

4 Annexed hereto, in the tabulated format agreed by the Committee, is the summary of 41 reports on incidents, involving 578 migrants, received by the Organization for the period from 1 January to 31 June 2008.

5 The total number of incidents related to unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of migrants by sea so far reported to the Organization is 1,294, involving 62,384 migrants.

ANNEX 1

Unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of migrants by sea

N°	Ship's name Flag Port of registry Gross tonnage Type/Propulsion IMO No. Official/Document No. Call sign	Date Time Name on hull Y/N Port of registry on hull Y/N	Position of the incident	Brief description of the incident	Measures taken Additional comments and recommendations	Voyage (from, date and time of departure) (to, estimated date and time of arrival)	Shipowner (nationality) Master (nationality) and crew (number and nationality)	Migrants (number and nationality or region) (females and males: no. of adults (A) and no. of minors (M)) Other persons on board (number and nationality)	MSC.3/Circ.15 ANNEX 1 Page 1
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1	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	28/05/2008 06:20 LT 	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	8 Palestinian (8) Female(s) A M Male(s) 8A M	Turkey
2	* * * approx. 0.3 A rubber boat with outboard engine Propulsion: diesel Motor: 40 CV * * *	23/05/2008 04:45 Zulu 	36°38'.00N 014°38'.00E Italian Coast, Italy	The migrants were intercepted by patrol boats of the Italian Coast Guard and conducted to Pozallo port	The boat in which the migrants were transported was confiscated. All migrants were brought to a refugee gathering area in Pozzallo and were taken care of by immigration Authorities *	* *	* * *	43 Unknown Female(s) 2A M Male(s) 32A 9M	Italy
3	* * * approx. 0.3 A glass- reinforced plastic boat with outboard engine Propulsion: diesel Motor: Tohatsu 50 CV * * *	07/05/2008 19:15 Zulu 	36°30'.12N 014°25'.35E Italian Coast, Italy	The migrants were intercepted by patrol boats of the Italian Coast Guard and conducted to Pozallo port	The boat in which the migrants were transported was confiscated. All migrants were brought to a refugee gathering area in Pozzallo and were taken care of by immigration Authorities *	* *	* * *	16 Somali Female(s) 2A M Male(s) 13A 1M	Italy

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4	* * * approx. 0.3 A glass- reinforced plastic boat with outboard engine Propulsion: diesel Motor: Tohatsu 50 CV * * *	07/05/2008 11:25 Zulu 	Beach of Punta Braccetto, Sicily, Italy	The migrants were intercepted by patrol boats of the Italian Coast Guard and conducted to Scoglitti port	The boat in which the migrants were transported was confiscated. All migrants were brought to a refugee gathering area in Pozzallo and were taken care of by immigration Authorities *	*	* * *	22 Somali Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 19A 2M	Italy
5	* * * approx. 1 A glass- reinforced plastic boat with outboard engine. Motor: Yamaha 40 CV * * *	05/05/2008 08:45 Zulu 	0.5 Miles South Coast Marina di Modica, Sicily, Italy	The migrants were intercepted by patrol boats of the Italian Coast Guard and conducted to Pozallo port	The boat in which the migrants were transported was confiscated. All migrants were brought to a refugee gathering area in Pozzallo and were taken care of by immigration Authorities *	*	* * *	27 Somali Female(s) 3A M Male(s) 23A 1M	Italy
6	* * * approx. 1 A glass- reinforced plastic boat with outboard engine. Motor: Tohatsu 50 CV * * *	30/04/2008 04:00 Zulu 	2 nm South the Coast of "Marina di Ragusa", Sicily Italy	The migrants were intercepted by patrol boats of the Italian Coast Guard and conducted to Pozallo port	The boat in which the migrants were transported was confiscated. All migrants were brought to a refugee gathering area in Pozzallo and were taken care of by immigration Authorities *	*	* * *	27 Somali Female(s) A M Male(s) 25A 2M	Greece

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7	* * * 09/04/2008 Inflatable rubber raft * * *	09/04/2008 21:30 LT 	39°27'.00N 026°21'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Somali Female(s) A M Male(s) 6A M	Turkey
8	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	09/04/2008 08:00 LT 	37°56'.00N 027°09'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	24 Somali (3) Mauritanian (1) Iraqi (1) Palestinian (17) Uzbek (1) Norwegian (1) Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey
9	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	09/04/2008 07:30 LT 	38°02'.00N 026°45'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * * 32	32 Afghan (23) Mauritanian (3) Palestinian (1) Pakistani (5) Female(s) A M Male(s) 32A M	Turkey
10	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	05/04/2008 05:45 LT 	39°14'.00N 026°34'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	5 Afghan (1) Mauritanian (4) Female(s) A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
11	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	03/04/2008 22:40 LT 	37°48'.00N 027°13'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	10 Somali (4) Palestinian (1) Eritrean (5) Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 9A M	Turkey

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12	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	02/04/2008 21:20 LT 	39°27'.00N 026°11'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Afghan (5) Mauritanian (1) Female(s) A M Male(s) 6A M	Turkey
13	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	02/04/2008 07:34 LT 	39°06'.00N 026°42'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	24 Somali (4) Iraqi (2) Palestinian (18) Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 23A M	Turkey
14	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	26/03/2008 22:45 LT 	38°16'.00N 026°11'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	21 Somali (5) Palestinian (5) Eritrean (11) Female(s) 7A M Male(s) 14A M	Turkey
15	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	23/03/2008 17:45 LT 	39°27'.00N 026°18'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	4 Afghan Female(s) A M Male(s) 4A M	Turkey
16	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	21/03/2008 19:15 LT 	39°18'.00N 026°31'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	15 Pakistani Female(s) A M Male(s) 15A M	Turkey

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17	* * * * Fiber boat * * *	20/03/2008 20:10 LT 	39°27'.00N 026°31'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
18	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	15/03/2008 20:45 LT 	37°43'.00N 027°08'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	21 Somali (7) Palestinian (2) Eritrean (4) Comorian (1) Congolese (1) (of) Burkina Faso (1) Rwandan (5) Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 20A M	Turkey
19	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	14/03/2008 09:30 LT 	37°27'.00N 027°05'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	25 Somali (18) Palestinian (7) Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 24A M	Turkey
20	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	09/03/2008 05:50 LT 	39°08'.00N 026°46'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	23 Palestinian (20) Somali (3) Female(s) 3A M Male(s) 20A M	Turkey
21	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	08/03/2008 21:00 LT 	37°46'.00N 027°12'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	20 Somali (9) Eritrean (9) Rwandan (2) Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey

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22	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	29/02/2008 05:40 LT  	39°59'.48.00 027°09'.40E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrant was spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrant was arrested. Nationality of the migrant could not be confirmed as he did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	1 Palestinian Female(s) A M Male(s) 1A M	Turkey
23	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	23/02/2008 20:20 LT  	39°27'.00N 026°10'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	7 Mauritanian Female(s) A M Male(s) 7A M	Turkey
24	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	22/02/2008 02:55 LT  	37°29'.00N 027°07'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	25 Mauritanian (7) Palestinian (13) Eritrean (2) Rwandan (3) Female(s) 2A M Male(s) 23A M	Turkey
25	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	22/02/2008 23:50 LT  	39°15'.00N 026°32'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian Female(s) A M Male(s) 6A M	Turkey
26	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	20/02/2008 20:20 LT  	39°14'.00N 026°36'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian (4) Palestinian (1) of Myanmar (1) Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey

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27	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	20/02/2008 07:25 LT 	39°01'.00N 026°46'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	4 Afghan Female(s) A M Male(s) 4A M	Turkey
28	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	20/02/2008 02:25 LT 	37°52'.00N 027°12'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* *	21 Somali (3) Mauritanian (9) Palestinian (2) Eritrean (7) Female(s) 4A M Male(s) 17A M	Turkey
29	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	19/02/2008 21:30 LT 	39°16'.00N 026°34'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	28 Somali (9) Palestinian (9) Eritrean (10) Female(s) 9A M Male(s) 19A M	Turkey
30	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	15/02/2008 15:45 LT 	39°29'.00N 026°40'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	12 Palestinian Female(s) 2A M Male(s) 10A M	Turkey
31	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	15/02/2008 18:45 LT 	39°29'.00N 026°31'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	28 Somali Female(s) 16A M Male(s) 12A M	Turkey

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32	* * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	14/02/2008 20:00 LT 	39°27'.00N 026°21'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	* 	* * *	5 Mauritanian Female(s) A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
33	* * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	07/02/2008 06:30 LT 	37°41'.16N 027°06'.20E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	* 	* * *	14 Somali Female(s) 9A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
34	* * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	05/02/2008 06:30 LT 	37°52'.00N 027°10'.00E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	* 	* * *	19 Somali (2) Mauritanian (6) Palestinian (10) Eritrean (1) Female(s) A M Male(s) 19A M	Turkey
35	* * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	04/02/2008 08:40 LT 	37°43'.00N 37°027'.11E Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	* 	* * *	9 Palestinian Female(s) A M Male(s) 9A M	Turkey
36	* * * Inflatable rubber raft *	03/02/2008 19:30 LT 	37°58'.00N 26°53,.00E Turkish Coast,	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents			21 Somali (6) Palestinian (15) Female(s) A M Male(s) 21A M	Turkey

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37	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	18/01/2008 08:10 LT  	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian (1) Pakistani (5) Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
38	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	16/01/2008 07:50 LT  	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian (4) Afghan (2) Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey
39	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	09/01/2008 19:00 LT  	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	6 Mauritanian Female(s) 1A M Male(s) 5A M	Turkey
40	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	07/01/2008 08:30 LT  	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. According to the migrants' statements, they were seized in Mitilini Island and taken to Turkish territorial waters on a Greek Coast Guard boat. They were left drifting on a semi floating raft	*	* * *	13 Mauritanian Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey
41	* * * * Inflatable rubber raft * * *	07/01/2008 16:35 LT  	Turkish Coast, Turkey	The migrants were spotted by the Turkish Coast Guard during patrols followed by boardings	The migrants were arrested. Nationality of the migrants could not be confirmed as they did not possess any travel documents	*	* * *	7 Afghan Female(s) A M Male(s) A M	Turkey

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