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TRAINING AND WATCHKEEPING31st session
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Original: ENGLISH**VALIDATION OF MODEL TRAINING COURSE CONTENT****Updating of IMO model courses****Note by Secretariat****SUMMARY**

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document provides information on the progress with the revision, updating and development of model courses relevant to the training and assessment provisions of the revised STCW Convention
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 5
<i>Related documents:</i>	STW 28/3, STW 28/20, STW 29/INF.4 and STW 30/3

1 The 1995 Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) adopted resolution 13 "Revision of model courses published by the International Maritime Organization" in which the Organization is invited to take steps to revise and update those model courses which provide guidance on the implementation of the training and assessment provisions of the STCW Convention, as amended.

2 At its twenty-eighth session, the Sub-Committee reviewed the list of courses (STW 28/3 annex 1) and assigned priorities for their revision. At its thirtieth session the Sub-Committee validated the top and high priority model courses. These courses are now being published.

3 The courses listed at annex were assigned by the Secretariat to various maritime training institutes for review, updating or development, as appropriate. Drafts of these revised model courses have been received by the Secretariat and have been forwarded to members of the validation group for their comments, as available.

4 The Sub-Committee is invited to note that the funds for updating the model courses were made available by the Government of Norway and that the Governments of India and Singapore and the International Shipping Federation (ISF) have undertaken to revise, update and develop a number of the model courses free of charge to the Organization.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

5 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the above information and decide as appropriate.

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ANNEX

**MODEL COURSES REVISED AND DEVELOPED TO MEET
THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE REVISED STCW CONVENTION**

No	Title	Priority	Remarks
1.01	Tanker Familiarisation		The original three tanker familiarisation courses (oil, chemical and gas) have been merged into one course in line with the provisions of the revised Convention
1.13	Medical Emergency-Basic Training		To be renamed: Elementary First Aid
1.14	Medical Emergency- First Aid		To be renamed: Medical First Aid
1.15	Medical Care		
1.19	Personal Survival		To be renamed: Personal Survival Techniques
1.20	Basic Fire Fighting		To be renamed: Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting
1.21*	Human Relationships		To be renamed: Personal Safety and Social Responsibility
1.24*	Maritime English		
2.03	Advanced Fire Fighting		
3.12*	Examination and Certification of Seafarers		To be renamed: Assessment, Examination and Certification of Seafarers
XXX*	Proficiency in fast rescue boats		New course
XXX*	Proficiency in crowd management for passenger ships and ro-ro ships		New course
XXX*	Proficiency in passenger safety, cargo safety, hull integrity, crisis management and human behaviour training on passenger and ro-ro ships		New course

* It is anticipated that these courses, which are new or have been subject to major revision, will, in addition to review by the validating group, also be subject to consideration by the Sub-Committee before validation, as decided by STW 30 (STW 30/13, paragraph 3.9).