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TRAINING AND WATCHKEEPING
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VALIDATION OF MODEL COURSE CONTENT

Model courses to be validated

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary:	This document provides information on new and revised model courses which provide guidance on the implementation of the training and assessment provisions of the revised STCW Convention.
Action to be taken:	Paragraph 6
Related documents:	STW 30/3, STW 31/3, STW 32/3/1 and STW 32/INF.2

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" inviting the Organization 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 thirty first session, the Sub-Committee validated eight existing model courses that had been revised and updated to meet the requirements of the revised STCW Convention. Subsequently, one model course, No. 6.09, Training of Trainers, has been revised and updated (see also: STW 32/3/1).

3 The Secretariat has also identified the following new course for development:

- .1 On-board Assessment.

Expressions of interest in developing this model course were sought from a number of maritime training institutes worldwide and the work assigned on the basis of available expertise and cost.

4 Drafts of these model courses have been received by the Secretariat and have been forwarded to members of the validation panel for their comments. Comments on the drafts of the following courses have been received from the validation panel:

- .1 On-board Assessment; and
- .2 Training for Instructors.

The drafts of these model courses are attached as annex to document STW 32/INF.2 and include the validating panel's comments, as appropriate.

5 The Secretariat wishes to express its gratitude to the Governments of Norway, Singapore and the International Shipping Federation (ISF) for contributing expertise and funding for the development of these courses.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

6 The Sub-Committee is invited to consider the above information and decide as appropriate.
