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TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPANY AND PORT FACILITY SECURITY OFFICERS

Outcome of MSC 78

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document provides information on the relevant decisions of MSC 78 related to training and certification requirements for company and port facility security officers
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 6
<i>Related document:</i>	MSC 78/26

Introduction

1 The Maritime Safety Committee at its seventy-eighth session (12 to 21 May 2004) recalled that MSC 77 agreed to include a high priority item in the Sub-Committees' work programme and the agenda for STW 35 on the development of training requirements for company security officers (CSOs) and port facility security officers (PFSOs) and for certification, if appropriate.

Training and certification of company security officers

2 MSC 78 having noted the discussions, during STW 35, concerning the development of mandatory training and certification requirements for company and port facility security officers considered the request of STW 35 to clarify and to provide guidance with respect to the instructions of MSC 77 (paragraph 6.82 of MSC 77/26) relating to the development of training and certification requirements for company and port facility security officers.

3 MSC 78 decided to instruct the Sub-Committee not to pursue the Committee's instructions contained in paragraph 6.82 of document MSC 77/26.

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4 MSC 78 agreed that the Sub-Committee should instead develop, and submit for the consideration and approval by the Committee, guidelines on the training and certification of company security officers (CSOs). The guidelines to be developed should be concise and should take into account the duties and responsibilities of CSOs and the knowledge and training requirements specified in parts A and B of the ISPS Code and IMO Model Course 3.20 for company security officers. The guidelines should address, *inter alia*, issues relating to competence, knowledge, understanding and proficiencies; methods for demonstrating competence; and criteria for evaluating competence. The Sub-Committee was also instructed to consider whether the proposed guidelines should include any guidance with respect to any requirements, other than those relating to training, which CSOs should meet, as well as the form of certification of the training.

Training and certification of port facility security officers

5 MSC 78 having noted that no submissions had been received by STW 35, so as to enable the Sub-Committee to consider the issues relating to the training and certification of port facility security officers (PFSOs), decided that, at this stage, the Sub-Committee should not pursue the issue further.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

6 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the above information and decide accordingly.
