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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT

Technical Committee

SECOND REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE TO THE CONFERENCE

1. Pursuant to the decisions taken by the Conference (TM/CONF/WP.5), the Technical Committee studied further the formulae to be used for determining gross and net tonnages.
 2. In the course of consideration of a formula for net tonnage which should be based on displacement as a principal parameter together with possible corrections for passengers and water ballast spaces, the Committee met with certain difficulties in selecting a formula which would provide figures reasonably close to existing net tonnages and therefore would be acceptable to the members of the Committee.
 3. Although computer exercises to compare the merits of various suggested formulae have not yet been completed to enable the Committee to make a definitive conclusion on the matter referred to in paragraph 2 above, the Committee felt it necessary, in view of the limited time available, to study also an alternative formula for net tonnage based on the Norwegian Proposal contained in TM/CONF/9/Add.1 and as modified later, in order to examine the relative merits of such an alternative formula, and therefore recommends the Conference to empower the Committee to proceed accordingly.
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