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**DEVELOPMENT OF PROVISIONS TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY AND UNIFORM
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1969 TM CONVENTION**

**Proposals for solutions to the issues previously identified
with the 1969 TM Convention**

Submitted by Italy

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document provides comments to the report of the Correspondence Group on the Development of Provisions to Ensure the Integrity and Uniform Implementation of the 1969 TM Convention, established at SLF 54, as well as suggested solutions to ensure the integrity and uniform implementation of the 1969 TM Convention

Strategic direction: 2

High-level action: 2.1.1

Planned output: 2.1.1.2

Action to be taken: Paragraph 5

Related documents: SLF 55/9 and SLF 55/INF.2

Background

1 The Sub-Committee, at its fifty-fourth session (16 to 20 January 2012), agreed to establish a correspondence group, under the coordination of the United States, in which Italy was able to participate.

2 Italy has considered the report of the correspondence group and associated information document (SLF 55/9 and SLF 55/INF.2, respectively) and would like to offer the comments explained hereinafter.

Discussion

3 Fitting of grates over side/end and deck openings (issues 4.d and 4.e, as discussed at annexes 1 and 3 of document SLF 55/INF.2), Italy is still of the opinion that, except for

those fitted to constitute barrier against intrusion, grates should be considered as a means of closure for the purposes of regulation 2(5) of the 1969 TM Convention.

4 Treatment of topside spaces of complex shape (issue 3.e. at annexes 1 and 3 of document SLF 55/INF.2), Italy is supporting Proposal 1 (annex 3) and would like to offer the consideration of the graphical explanations given in the annex, addressing the treatment of spaces on deck.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

5 The Sub-Committee is invited to consider the above and to take action as appropriate.

ANNEX

TREATMENT OF TOPSIDE SPACES OF COMPLEX SPACES

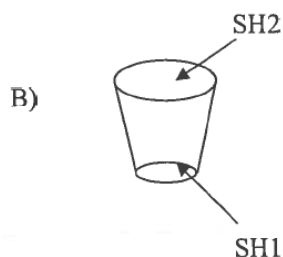
Issue 3.e – Treatment of Topside Spaces of Complex Spaces

(Items separated on all their sides from other enclosed spaces, apart from the deck surface in contact)



Volume $\leq 1 \text{ m}^3$

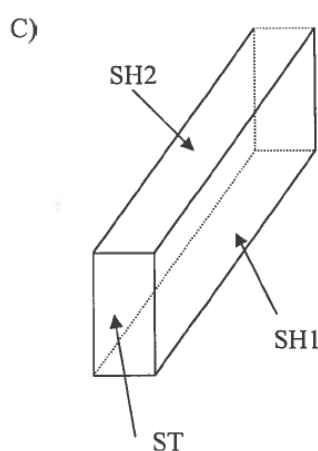
Not included in the Total Volume of all enclosed spaces (V)



SH1 = Surface area in contact with the deck (horizontal surface) $\leq 1 \text{ m}^2$

SH2 $\leq 1 \text{ m}^2$

Not included in the Total Volume of all enclosed spaces (V), regardless of its volume, accessibility and use



SH1 or SH2 $> 1 \text{ m}^2$ and volume $> 1 \text{ m}^3$

ST = Vertical Cross sectional Area

ST $\leq 1 \text{ m}^2$ Not included in the Total Volume of all Enclosed Spaces (V) if not accessible or utilized (e.g. for stores, passage of pipes or cable, ect.)

ST $\geq 1 \text{ m}^2$ Included in the Total Volume of all Enclosed Spaces (V) regardless of its accessibility and use