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ROUTING SYSTEMS OTHER THAN TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES

Deep-water route "West of the Hebrides"

1 In accordance with the procedures set out in Assembly resolution A.377(X), the Maritime Safety Committee, at its fifty-fourth session (MSC 54/23, paragraph 6.2.4 and annex 11), adopted the new deep-water route "West of the Hebrides" subject to confirmation by the fifteenth regular session of the Assembly.

2 The deep-water route, details of which are annexed, will be implemented on 28 October 1987 and is brought to the attention of Member Governments.

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ANNEX

## DEEP-WATER ROUTE "WEST OF THE HEBRIDES"

(Reference chart: British Admiralty No. 2721, May 1985 edition).

Note: This chart is based on Ordnance Survey of Great Britain (1936) datum.

Description of the deep-water route

The deep-water route lies between the outer Hebrides Isles on its south-east side and the Flannan Islands and St Kilda to the north-west. The limits comprise lines joining the following geographical positions:

- (1) 57°34.50' N; 8°00.00' W
- (2) 58°20.70' N; 7°03.50' W
- (3) 58°24.10' N; 7°13.50' W
- (4) 57°38.05' N; 8°09.95' W

- Notes: (i) The depths in the route, as confirmed by recent detailed hydrographic surveys, are nowhere less than 34 metres.
- (ii) Laden tankers of over 10,000 grt are recommended, weather conditions permitting, to use this route in preference to sailing through the restricted waters of the Minches.
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