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TRAFFIC SEPARATION IN THE STRAIT OF DOVER

The Maritime Safety Committee at its fifteenth session, when discussing the question of navigation in congested areas, was informed by the Governments of the United Kingdom and France that the re-arrangement of the navigational aids, required for the implementation of the separation of traffic in the Strait of Dover, was planned for completion by the end of April 1967, whereupon the two Governments would issue the appropriate Notices to Mariners. It was agreed that, as required by Resolution A.90(IV), Member Governments should then be informed and invited to advise vessels under their flags to follow the principle of separation of traffic and the recommended routes in that area (paragraph 35, MSC XV/22).

The Secretary-General has now been informed that the two Governments have issued Notices to Mariners (United Kingdom Nos. 760(P)/67 and 859, and France Nos. 19 and 17) describing the traffic separation scheme in the Strait of Dover and announcing that it would be put into operation commencing on 1 June 1967. It is understood that copies of these Notices have been widely disseminated by the Governments of France and the United Kingdom. Member Governments are therefore invited to consider taking appropriate action.

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