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PROVISION OF MARITIME SAFETY INFORMATION (MSI) BROADCASTS  
IN THE INTERNATIONAL SAFETYNET SERVICE

- 1 The 1988 amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, concerning radiocommunications for the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) entered into force on 1 February 1992. These make provision for the broadcast and mandatory reception of MSI.
- 2 The Sub-Committee on Radiocommunications, at its thirty-eighth session (18 to 22 January), was concerned that, despite the best efforts of IMO, IHO and WMO, many Administrations have not yet begun to provide International SafetyNET services as required by the aforementioned amendments to the SOLAS Convention because of a slow response to their undertakings under regulation IV/5 and the slow fitting of suitable equipment at many coast earth stations (CES).
- 3 Ships, which choose to fit GMDSS equipment, rely entirely on the International SafetyNET service for the receipt of MSI, as required by regulation IV/12.2, in areas not covered by NAVTEX. MSI is defined by the SOLAS Convention as navigational and meteorological warnings, meteorological forecasts and other urgent safety related messages broadcast to ships.
- 4 There are now Inmarsat-C CESs in each ocean region with facilities for transmitting SafetyNET messages, capable of covering all non-polar waters of the world. An Administration can gain access to the SafetyNET service via one of these Inmarsat-C CESs by obtaining a Certificate of Authorization to Participate in the International SafetyNET Service, in accordance with annex 9 of the International SafetyNET Manual.
- 5 The Maritime Safety Committee, recognizing, at its sixtieth session (6 to 10 April 1992), that large areas of the world are not yet covered by SafetyNET broadcasts and taking account of the fact that ships are known to be relying entirely on International SafetyNET services for the receipt of long-range MSI, urged those Member Governments, which had not already done so, to establish MSI broadcasts via SafetyNET without delay, making any necessary arrangements with Inmarsat-C CES operators in other countries in which such facilities already exist.

6 Governments which have an obligation to provide broadcasts of MSI under the GMDSS are therefore urged to take urgent measures to ensure that the authorities of their Administrations responsible for navigational, meteorological, search and rescue and other urgent safety-related messages:

- register as information providers with the International SafetyNET Co-ordinating Panel\*;
- make arrangements with one or more CESs to obtain access to the system; and
- commence a full programme of MSI broadcasting as soon as possible.

7 The following updated information is attached on:

- .1 status of MSI Broadcasts via the International SafetyNET Service, at annex 1;
- .2 authorization as information provider, at annex 2; and
- .3 implementation of SAR Broadcast Service on SafetyNET, at annex 3.

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ANNEX 1

STATUS OF MARITIME SAFETY INFORMATION BROADCASTS  
VIA THE INTERNATIONAL SAFETYNET SERVICE  
CORRECT TO 15 JANUARY 1993

NAVAREA/ METAREA	Navigational Warnings	Meteorological Information	Search and Rescue Information
I	YES	YES	NO***
II	YES	YES	NO
III	NO	INTERIM SERVICE	NO
IV	YES	YES	NO**
V	NO	NO	NO
VI	NO*	INTERIM SERVICE	NO*
VII	NO	YES	NO
VIII	NO	INTERIM SERVICE	NO
IX	NO	INTERIM SERVICE	NO
X	YES	YES	YES
XI	YES	YES	YES
XII	YES	YES	NO
XIII	NO	INTERIM SERVICE	NO**
XIV	YES	YES	NO
XV	NO	NO	NO
XVI	NO	YES	NO

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\* PLANNED 1 JULY 1993

\*\* PLANNED 1 APRIL 1993

\*\*\* OPERATIONAL 1 FEBRUARY 1993

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ANNEX 2AUTHORIZATION AS INFORMATION PROVIDER

	<u>NAVIGATIONAL</u>	<u>METEOROLOGICAL</u>	<u>SEARCH AND RESCUE</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
<u>NAVAREA I</u>				
Norway			SAR (40)	
United Kingdom	NAV (19)	MET (14)	SAR (37)	
<u>NAVAREA II</u>				
Cape Verde			SAR (39)	
France	NAV (20)	MET (6)		
<u>NAVAREA III</u>				
Greece		MET (7)	SAR (42)	
Spain	NAV (33)			
<u>NAVAREA IV</u>				
United States	NAV (21)	MET (15)*	SAR (34)**	
<u>NAVAREA V</u>				
Brazil	NAV (22)	MET (3)	SAR (44)	
<u>NAVAREA VI</u>				
Argentina	NAV (23)	MET (1)	SAR (43)	
<u>NAVAREA VII</u>				
South Africa	NAV (24)	MET (13)		
<u>NAVAREA VIII</u>				
India	NAV (25)	MET (8)		
<u>NAVAREA IX</u>				
Pakistan	NAV (26)		SAR (45)	
Saudi Arabia		MET (12)		

	<u>NAVIGATIONAL</u>	<u>METEOROLOGICAL</u>	<u>SEARCH AND RESCUE</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
<b><u>NAVAREA X</u></b>				
Australia	NAV (27)	MET (2)	SAR (Temp)	
<b><u>NAVAREA XI</u></b>				
China		MET (5)		
Japan	NAV (28)	MET (9)	SAR (35)	
Hong Kong			SAR (18)	
Malaysia			SAR (41)	
Singapore	NAV (being processed)	MET (being processed)	SAR (being processed)	
IMB pirates centre				PIRACY (36)
<b><u>NAVAREA XII</u></b>				
United States	NAV (29)	MET (15)*	SAR (34)**	
<b><u>NAVAREA XIII</u></b>				
Russia	NAV (30)	MET (11)		
<b><u>NAVAREA XIV</u></b>				
New Zealand	NAV (17)	MET (10)	SAR (16)	
Tonga			SAR (38)	
<b><u>NAVAREA XV</u></b>				
Chile	NAV (31)	MET (4)		
<b><u>NAVAREA XVI</u></b>				
Peru	NAV (32)			
United States		MET (15)*		

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## IMPLEMENTATION OF SAR BROADCAST SERVICES ON SAFETYNET

## ANNEX 3

NAVAREA	COUNTRY	NAME OF RCC	ADDRESS/PHONE, FAX	CES	OCEAN AREA	AUTHORIZATION AS INFORMATION PROVIDER	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
I	Finland	MRCC Helsinki	P.O. Box 150 SF 00161 Helsinki Finland Phone: 358-01-616 831 (Alarm) 667 766 Fax: 358-0-631 670 Telex: 57-129777 SLNJST	-	Fully covered by NAVTEX		-
	Netherlands		-	-	Fully covered by NAVTEX		-
	Norway	RCC Stavanger	Sikringsbygget N-4050 Sola Norway Phone: 47-4-51-70-00 (for SAR) 47-4-64-60-01 (for administration) Fax: 47-4-65-23-34 Telex: 33163 RCCS N	EIK	IOR	Certificate No.40	15 September 1991
	United Kingdom	HM Coast Guard Falmouth	Pendennis Point Falmouth Cornwall, TR11 4NW England Phone: 0326-317575 Telex: 45560 Fax: 0326 318342	Goonwilly	AOR-E/W	Certificate No.37	1 November 1992

NAVAREA	COUNTRY	NAME OF RCC	ADDRESS/PHONE, FAX	CES	OCEAN AREA	AUTHORIZATION AS INFORMATION PROVIDER	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
II	Cape Verde	Capitania dos Portos de Barlavento	Caixa Postal No. 7 Mindelo Phone: 0-238-314492 314271 (office hours) 314144 (24 hours) Telex: 3032-MARPOR-CV	-	-	Certificate No.39	1 February 1993
IV	Greece	RCC Piraeus	See SAR.3/Circ.3/Rev.2	-	-	Certificate No.42	-
	United States	United States Coast Guard	See appendix	South-bury	AOR-W	Certificate No.34	1 December 1992
V	Brazil	Directoria de Hidrografia e Navegacao	Rua Barão de Jaceguai s/n Ponta de Armação Niteroi Estado do Rio de Janeiro 24048-900 Brazil Phone: 021-717-0073 021-722-3821 Fax: 021-718-7941 Telex: 021-53259, 021-53260 021-53261, 021-34043 RMTX	Tangua	AOR-W	Certificate No.44	November 1992
VI	Argentina	RCC Buenos Aires	Comodoro Py 2055 (1104) Buenos Aires República Argentina Phone: 312-9553 311-3682 Fax: 313-2889 Telex: 21338 RACEL AR	-	AOR-W/E 1) 35°38'S / 55°52'W 2) 37°56'S / 52°36'W 3) 37°56'S / 10°00'W (as far as the South Pole) 4) 55°07'S / 66°25'W 5) 58°21'S / 67°16'W 6) 58°21'S / 74°00'W (as far as the South Pole)	Certificate No.43	TBD

NAVAREA	COUNTRY	NAME OF RCC	ADDRESS/PHONE, FAX	CES	OCEAN AREA	AUTHORIZATION AS INFORMATION PROVIDER	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
IX	Pakistan	Maritime Security Agency	2nd Floor, Karach Dock Labour Board Building, West Wharf Road Karachi, Pakistan Phone: 201446/202357 202050/202069 Fax: 201205 Telex: 25988 MRSEC PK 25771 MRSEC PK	-	IOR (SAR region of Pakistan ) 1) Pakistan/ Iran border 2) 23°N / 61°30'E 3) 20°N / 61°30'E 4) 20°N / 60°E 5) 12°N / 60°E 6) 12°N / 63°E 7) Pakistan/ India border)	Certificate No.45	-
X	Australia	MRCC Australia	-	Perth	POR IOR	[Temporary]	Operational
XI	Hong Kong	Hong Kong MRCC	-	-	-	Certificate No.18	-
	Japan	Maritime Safety Agency	-	Perth	POR IOR	Certificate No.35	Operational
	Malaysia	MRCC Port Kelang	Maritime Headquarters Peninsular Malaysia P.O.Box 12 42007 Port Kelang Malaysia Phone: 03-367-0530 368-7717 Fax: 03-367-1334 (24 hours) 03-368-5289 (0000-0800-UTC) Telex: LAUT MA 39748	Singapore	POR IOR	Certificate No.41	1 January 1993



NAVAREA	COUNTRY	NAME OF RCC	ADDRESS/PHONE, FAX	CES	OCEAN AREA	AUTHORIZATION AS INFORMATION PROVIDER	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION
XI (cont.)	Singapore	Director of Marine, Singapore	-	Singapore	-	Being processed	-
XII	United States	United States Coast Guard	See appendix	Santa Paula	POR	Certificate No.34	1 December 1992
XIV	New Zealand	-	-	-	-	Certificate No.16	-
	Tonga	Ministry of Marine	Fukafanua Centre P.O. Box 397 Nuku'Alofa Tonga Phone: 22-555 Fax: 676-24-267	-	-	Certificate No.38	-

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APPENDIX

RCCs in the United States

RCC Boston:

Commander (opc)  
First Coast Guard District  
408 Atlantic Avenue  
Boston, MA 02210-3350  
USA

Telephone: (617) 223-8555  
Facsimilie: (617) 223-8117  
Telex: 9102506309  
EasyLink Mailbox: 62699290

RCC Comlant:

Commander (Aopc)  
Atlantic Area, U.S. Coast Guard  
Governors Island  
Bldg. 125, 2nd Floor  
New York, NY 10004-5000  
USA

Telephone: (212) 668-7055  
Facimilie: (212) 668-3465  
Telex: 127775

RCC Norfolk:

Commander (opc)  
Fifth Coast Guard District  
Federal Bldg.  
431 Crawford Street  
Portsmouth, VA 23704-5004  
USA

Telephone: (804) 398-6231  
Facsimilie: (804) 398-6392  
EasyLink Mailbox: Via CG Headquarters - 62806908

RCC Miami:

Commander (opc)  
Seventh Coast Guard District  
909 SE First Avenue  
Brickell Plaza Federal Bldg.  
Miami, FL 33131-3050  
USA

Telephone: (305) 536-5611  
Facsimilie: (305) 536-5643  
EasyLink Mailbox: 62076733

RSC San Juan:

Commander  
U.S. Coast Guard  
Greater Antilles Section  
P.O. Box 2029  
Old San Juan Station  
San Juan, PR 00903-2029

Telephone: (809) 729-6800  
Facsimilie: (809) 729-6618  
Telex: Via CG Headquarters - 62806908

RCC New Orleans:

Commander (opc)  
Eighth Coast Guard District  
Hale Boggs Federal Bldg.  
501 Magazine Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130-3396  
USA

Telephone: (504) 589-6225  
Facsimilie: (504) 589-2148  
Telex: 701801  
EasyLink Mailbox: 62123450

RCC Long Beach:

Commander (opc)  
Eleventh Coast Guard District  
Union Bank Bldg.  
400 Oceangate Blvd.  
Long Beach, CA 90822-5399  
USA

Telephone: (310) 499-5380  
Facsimilie: (310) 980-4390  
EasyLink Mailbox: 3705424L001

Commander Pacific Area U.S. Coast Guard:

Commander (Popc)  
Pacific Area U.S. Coast Guard  
Government Island  
Alameda, CA 94501-5100

Telephone: (510) 437-3700  
Facsimilie: (510) 437-3017  
Telex: 172343

RCC Seattle:

Commander (opc)  
Thirteenth Coast Guard District  
Jackson Federal Bldg.  
915 Second Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98174-1067  
USA

Telephone: (206) 553-5886  
Facsimilie: (206) 553-4883  
EasyLink Mailbox: Via CG Headquarters - 62806908

RCC Honolulu:

Commander (opc)  
Fourteenth Coast Guard District  
Prince Kalaniana'ole Federal Bldg.  
300 Ala Moana Blvd., 9th Floor  
Honolulu, HI 96850-4982  
USA

Telephone: (808) 541-2500  
Facsimilie: (808) 541-2123  
Telex: 392401

RCC Juneau:

Commander (opc)  
Seventeenth Coast Guard District  
P.O. Box 25517  
Juneau, AK 99802-5517  
USA

Telephone: (907) 463-2000  
Facsimilie: (907) 463-2322  
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