NEW AND AMENDED TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES

1. The Secretary-General has the honour to state that in accordance with the provisions of Assembly resolution A.826(19), the Maritime Safety Committee, at its sixty-sixth session (28 May to 6 June 1996), adopted the following new and amended traffic separation schemes:

   .1 "Off Tuskar Rock" (amended scheme);
   .2 "Off Fastnet Rock" (amended scheme); and
   .3 "In the Approaches to the Port of Veracruz" (new scheme).

2. The new and amended traffic separation schemes (listed above and detailed at annex) will be implemented at 0000 hours UTC on 30 November 1996.

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ANNEX

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OFF TUSKAR ROCK (amended scheme)

(Reference chart: British Admiralty 1787, 1984 edition.
Note: This chart is based on Ordnance Survey of Ireland Datum.)

Description of the traffic separation scheme

(a) A separation zone, two miles wide, is centred upon the following geographical positions:

1) 52°14'.0 N, 6°00'.8 W  
2) 52°08'.5 N, 6°03'.8 W  
3) 52°04'.7 N, 6°11'.5 W

(b) A traffic lane, three miles wide, is established on each side of the separation zone.

Inshore traffic zone

The area bounded between the landward boundary of the traffic separation scheme and lines connecting Tuskar Rock Lighthouse (52°12'.2N, 6°12'.4W) and the following geographical positions is designated an inshore traffic zone:

4) 52°15'.2 N, 6°07'.0 W (northerly corner of the scheme)  
5) 52°07'.8 N, 6°15'.6 W (westerly corner of the scheme)

OFF FASTNET ROCK (amended scheme)

Note: This chart is based on Ordnance Survey of Ireland Datum.)

Description of the traffic separation scheme

(a) A separation zone, two miles wide, is centred upon the following geographical positions:

1) 51°20'.0 N, 9°25'.8 W  
2) 51°18'.2 N, 9°35'.2 W

(b) A traffic lane, two miles wide, is established on each side of the separation zone.

Inshore traffic zone

The area between the landward boundary of the traffic separation scheme and lines connecting Fastnet Rock Lighthouse (51°23'.3 N, 9°36'.2 W) and the following geographical positions is designated an inshore traffic zone:

3) 51°22'.9N, 9°27'.3 W (easterly corner of the scheme)  
4) 51°21'.1 N, 9°36'.6 W (westerly corner of the scheme)
IN THE APPROACHES TO THE PORT OF VERACRUZ (New scheme)


Note: This chart is based on World Geodetic System 84 Datum.

Description of the traffic separation scheme

The traffic separation scheme in the approaches to Veracruz, Mexico, consists of two parts:

Part I: East Approach: Recommended for vessels entering or leaving the port of Veracruz.

(a) A separation zone bounded by a line connecting the following geographical positions:

(1) 19°14'.00 N,  95°45'.00 W
(2) 19°14'.00 N,  95°53'.43 W
(3) 19°12'.50 N,  95°53'.43 W
(4) 19°12'.50 N,  95°45'.00 W

(b) A separation zone bounded by a line connecting the following geographical positions:

(5) 19°11'.50 N,  95°45'.00 W
(6) 19°11'.50 N,  95°53'.43 W
(7) 19°10'.90 N,  95°53'.43 W
(8) 19°10'.90 N,  95°46'.60 W

(c) A traffic lane for westbound traffic is established between separation zone (a) and a line connecting the following geographical positions:

(9) 19°15'.00 N,  95°45'.00 W
(10) 19°15'.00 N,  95°53'.43 W

(d) A traffic lane for eastbound traffic is established between separation zone (a) and separation zone (b).

Part II: North Approach: Recommended for vessels entering or leaving the port of Veracruz.

(a) A separation zone bounded by a line connecting the following geographical positions:

(11) 19°19'.00 N,  95°59'.62 W
(12) 19°15'.00 N,  95°59'.62 W
(13) 19°15'.00 N,  95°58'.05 W
(14) 19°19'.00 N,  95°58'.05 W

(b) A traffic lane for southbound traffic is established between the separation zone and a line connecting the following geographic positions:

(15) 19°19'.00 N,  96°00'.65 W
(16) 19°15'.00 N,  96°00'.65 W
(c) A traffic lane for northbound traffic is established between the separation zone and a line connecting the following geographic positions:

(17) 19°15'.00 N, 95°57'.00 W  
(18) 19°19'.00 N, 95°57'.00 W  

Part III A precautionary area is established bounded by a line connecting the following geographical positions:

(10) 19°15'.00 N, 95°53'.43 W  
(17) 19°15'.00 N, 95°57'.00 W  
(16) 19°15'.00 N, 96°00'.65 W  
(21) 19°12'.07 N, 96°01'.77 W  
(23) 19°07'.65 N, 95°58'.92 W  
(7) 19°10'.90 N, 95°53'.43 W  

Note:

Masters of all appropriately equipped ships should have continual access to highly accurate information on the position of their ships in the traffic lane, using the radar beacons of:

- Sacrificios Island, identified on the radar by morse letter "Z", and located in geographical position:

  (21) 19°10'.49 N, 96°05'.53 W.  

- Santiaguillo Island, identified on the radar by morse letter "O" and located in geographical position:

  (22) 19°08'.52 N, 95°48'.47 W.