Report of the WWNWS Document Review WG 7th Meeting Held at IMO HQ, London, 27 – 29 January 2009

The meeting was attended by representatives of NAVAREAs I (UK), II (France), IV (USA) and XII (USA); Greece, the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO), Inmarsat and the IHB. Details of attendees are at Annex A. Apologies were received from NAVAREAs III (Spain), V (Brazil) and XI (Japan) and the International Mobile Satellite Organisation (IMSO).

Mr Peter Doherty (USA) chaired the meeting and Mr Guy Beale (UK) acted a secretary. Mr Steven Debrecht (USA) maintained a list of actions agreed at the meeting and these are included at Annex B.

The meeting initially reviewed and amended the Provisional Agenda for the PRNW1 (WWNWS1) meeting which will be held at the IHB from 18 – 21 August 2009. The draft agenda is available from the PRNW section of the IHO web site (www.iho.int > Committees > PRNW > PRNW1 Documents).

The meeting reviewed and updated the list of action items from CPRNW10. The updated list is available from the PRNW section of the IHO web site. (www.iho.int > Committees > PRNW > PRNW1 Documents)

The meeting then focussed its attention on the revised draft of the International SafetyNET Manual which had been prepared by Mr Vladimir Maksimov of Inmarsat based on discussions held at CPRNW10 and correspondence received from members of the PRNW Sub-Committee. The meeting reviewed the document line by line and agreed a revised text. There has been a significant reordering of the text to make the document more logical and simple to use. It was agreed that the secretary of the WG would prepare a clean copy of the revised manual. This text would be circulated to all members of the WG, unlikely before 1 April due to the extensive reformatting that is required. It will then be submitted to the PRNW1 meeting for finalisation and submission to IHO Member States and the WMO for approval prior to submission to COMSAR 14 which will be held at the IMO HQ in London from 8 – 12 March 2010.

It was agreed that there would be a further meeting of the WG at IMO HQ in the week following COMSAR 14. This meeting would review the decisions taken by COMSAR with respect to the International SafetyNET Manual and then review the NAVTEX Manual.

Attendees at the 6th Meeting of the WWNWS Document Review WG

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LIST OF DOCUMENT REVIEW ACTION ITEMS (Status as of 2 July 2009)

Agenda Item	Subject	Status	Comments	Action By
METAREA Graphic	Amend METAREA diagram to show full Arctic coverage to 90 N similar to NAVAREA depiction. Current graphic does not show full extent in the case of Greenland.	COMPLETE		WMO (Nick)
SafetyNET Manual	Note how NAVTEX Manual was submitted to IMO for its last new edition and follow this procedure for the next edition submission of the SafetyNET Manual.			Tim Sewell
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General	Invite someone from the IMO secretariat (Hans or Gurpreet) to Aug 2009 PRNW1 meeting.	Complete Feb 4		Chairman, PRNW1
General	Where precise NAVAREA geographical limits are not clear, obtain such for those points where the intersection touches the coast and for those turning points where the actual position is unknown or undetermined. Ensure coordination and agreement between member nations prior to the PRNW1 meeting.	In progress		IHB (Steve Shipman)
NAVTEX and SafetyNet Manuals	Provide NAVTEX coverage within each NAVAREA footprint			Guy Beale

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PRNW1	Remind IMSO of need for contingency planning for the Aug 2009 PRNW1 meeting	Complete Feb 4		Chairman, PRNW1
PRNW1	Ensure that NAVAREA III adds to their Aug 2009 report a summation of the Constanza, Romania WG meeting to include any changes/improvements to the Black Sea and Caspian Sea MSI capabilities.	Complete Feb 4		Chairman, PRNW1
PRNW1	Invite potential equipment manufacturers for Arctic MSI coverage to present at PRNW1	COMPLETE		Chairman, PRNW1
PRNW1 and Arctic CG	Prepare a status report of Met services for the Arctic			WMO
General	Provide Met limits for the Mediterranean and Black Seas for the Greek delegates			WMO (Nick)
General	Distribute IHO CL 31/2000 to all participants at the PRNW1.	Complete Feb 5	Document PRNW1/4/5/1 available on PRNW1 web site	IHB (Steve Shipman)
General	Provide NAVAREA II Coordinator the requirements for students to attend the WWNWS Capacity Building training	Complete Feb 4		Chairman, PRNW1 and Guy Beale
General	Request PRNW1 participants to comment on WWNWS CD prior to Aug 2009 meeting when IHB sends out invite letter	Complete Feb 10	Email sent to CPRNW mailing list	IHB (Steve Shipman)
General	Send final softcopy Joint MSI Manual to C/PRNW1 to add to the WWNWS CD	COMPLETE	Submitted document and amendments made by COMSAR available on IHO web site www.iho.int > External Liaison > Int Organization Documents > IMO (Available in French and English) Final copy will be put on WWNWS1 web site when issued by IMO	IHB (Steve Shipman)

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PRNW1	Alert PRNW1 participants of need to provide responses to their action items from CPRNW10	COMPLETE	Will do with PRNW invite	Chairman, PRNW1
SafetyNET Manual	Clarify use of LES or CES throughout the document			Inmarsat (Vlad)
SafetyNET Manual	Ensure that anti-piracy authorities (ie, Kuala Lumpur) coordinate any SafetyNET message traffic with appropriate NAVAREA Coordinator	COMPLETE	Email sent to Captain Singhota, IMO on 5 Feb 09	IHB (Steve Shipman)
Joint MSI Manual	Approach WMO at upcoming EMTSS meeting to see if they would agree to construct an IMO Resolution for Met Services like A.705/A.706.	COMPLETE	Email sent by IHB to WMO requesting advice on their intentions with regard to this matter.(Nick Ashton has been asked to draft)	Tim Sewell and Steve Shipman
PRNW1	Contact NAVAREA Coordinators prior to Aug 2009 meeting to alert them to need to broadcast their SafetyNET messages twice a day using repetition code "16"	Complete Feb 4		Chairman, PRNW1
SafetyNET Manual	Provide new layout (format) and text for Annex 4, Section G on repetition codes	COMPLETE		Inmarsat (Vlad)
SafetyNET Manual	Provide draft definition of "satellite coverage (ocean) area (region)"			Inmarsat (Vlad)
SafetyNET Manual	Check with manufacturers if (and how) it is possible to address MSI to sub-areas using service code C2=31 with alpha-numeric identity (existing service uses only numeric identity)			Inmarsat (Vlad)

Annex A to WWNWSDocRview7

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SafetyNET Manual	Check and provide new Annex 6 "EGC receiver specification" (the existing Annex contains too much technical information)			Inmarsat (Vlad)