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Dear Sir

S-23 WORKING GROUP REPORTING TO MEMBER STATES

1 With reference to the S-23 WG letter 01/2012 dated 19 Jan 2012, we would like to provide comment on Para 2.7, in relation to the Malacca and Singapore Straits . Para 2.7 of the report states:

“2.7 The meeting considered in detail the three areas of concern. The following should be highlighted as the result of the considerations and decisions taken:

- There was consensus between the members of the WG that the Malacca and Singapore Straits should be considered as an independent sea area, forming a separate administrative division in S-23. The meeting also agreed to amend the western limit of the Malacca Strait as proposed by India;”

The minutes of the 2nd meeting in Singapore had noted that the S-23 WG Chair had “invited the meeting to consider the Malacca and Singapore Straits as a single, continuous waterway” and “the meeting agreed unanimously to consider the Malacca and Singapore Straits as a single, continuous waterway.” We would thus like to propose that this agreement be captured in the REPORT OF S-23 WORKING GROUP TO MEMBER STATES as follows (proposed amendments highlighted in both, italic and underlined):

“The meeting considered in detail the three areas of concern. The following should be highlighted as the result of the considerations and decisions taken:

- *There was consensus between the members of the WG that the Malacca and Singapore Straits should be considered as a single ,continuous waterway, forming a separate administrative division in S-23. The meeting also agreed to amend the western limit of the Malacca Strait as proposed by India;”*

Yours sincerely



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