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Subject: Safety measures for non-SOLAS ships operating in polar waters

MSC 107 adopted the amendments to SOLAS chapter XIV and the Polar Code through resolutions MSC.532(107) and MSC.538(107) to provide safety-related provisions for non-SOLAS ships navigating in the polar waters, i.e., new chapters 9-1 (safety of navigation) and 11-1 (voyage planning) of the Polar Code Part I-A. These amendments enter into force on 1 January 2026

Accordingly, enclosed herewith please find the relevant technical information and required actions for your reference.

Kind regards,

Enclosure 1: Safety measures for non-SOLAS ships operating in polar waters

Enclosure 2: resolution MSC.532(107) Enclosure 3: resolution MSC.538(107)

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