

## Announcement of the Ministry of Transport

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### Announcement on the Effectiveness of the Amendments to the Protocol of 1988 Relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 of the International Maritime Organization

On December 8th, 2006, the 82nd session of the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization adopted the Amendments to the Protocol of 1988 Relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as “the 1988 SOLAS Protocol”) by Resolution No. MSC.227 (82).

According to the provisions of Article VIII (b) (vii) (2) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as “the Safety Convention”) and Article VI of the 1988 SOLAS Protocol on the acquiescent acceptance of amendments, the aforesaid Amendments have come into force as of July 1st, 2008.

As a contracting party to the Safety Convention and the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, China has not proposed any counterview against the aforesaid Amendments since its adoption. Therefore the Amendments shall have binding force on China.

We hereby announce the Chinese translation of the Amendments, and please implement them accordingly.

Ministry of Transport of the People’s Republic of China

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Annex

Amendments to the Protocol of 1988 Relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

Appendix

Modifications and Additions to the Appendix to the Annex to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

Record of Equipment for the Passenger Ship Safety Certificate (Form P)

1. In the Record of Equipment for the Passenger Ship Safety Certificate (Form P), in section 5, a new item is inserted after item 4 as item 4.2:

“4.2 Long-range identification and tracking system”,

and item 4 (Automatic identification system (AIS)) is renumbered as item 4.1.

Record of Equipment for the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate (Form E)

2. In the Record of Equipment for the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate (Form E), in section 3, a new item is inserted after item 4 as item 4.2:

“4.2 Long-range identification and tracking system”,

and item 4 (Automatic identification system (AIS)) is renumbered as item 4.1.

Record of Equipment for the Cargo Ship Safety Certificate (Form C)

3. In the Record of Equipment for the Cargo Ship Safety Certificate (Form C), in section 5, a new item is inserted after item 4 as item 4.2:

“4.2 Long-range identification and tracking system”,

and item 4 (Automatic identification system (AIS)) is renumbered as item 4.1.