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REPORT OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON
THE SAFETY OF NAVIGATION

1. The Maritime Safety Committee, at its fourteenth session, considered and approved (paragraph 51 of MSC XIV/20) the Report of the first session of the Sub-Committee on Safety of Navigation, which was communicated to all Member Governments as document MSC XIV/14.
2. Attention is invited to the Sub-Committee's recommendations, which were adopted by the Committee, as to:-
 - (a) the vertical distance between sidelights and masthead lights;
 - (b) the second masthead light which should be exhibited by vessels of 150 feet or over in length when towing or pushing;
 - (c) additional signals for vessels fishing in close proximity, which appear in Annex V to MSC XIV/20;
 - (d) non-displacement craft such as hydrofoil boats and air cushion vehicles (see paragraphs 53-54 of MSC XIV/20 and paragraph 10 of MSC XIV/14).
3. Attention is also invited to the Committee's decisions about
 - (a) pilot ladders on fishing vessels and vessels of less than 500 gross tons (paragraph 40 of MSC XIV/20) and
 - (b) matters concerning the disposition of lifeboats on tankers with no amidships superstructure (paragraph 46 of MSC XIV/20).

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