

**Third meeting of the Special Tripartite Committee  
established by the Governing Body in accordance with  
Article XIII of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006,  
as amended (MLC, 2006)**

Geneva  
23–27 April 2018

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**Resolution concerning amendments to  
the ILO flag State inspection and port State  
control guidelines to reflect amendments  
to the Code of the Maritime Labour  
Convention, 2006**

**Submitted by the Shipowners' and Seafarers' group**

The Special Tripartite Committee (STC) established by the Governing Body under Article XIII of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended,

Having met at its third meeting in Geneva from 23 to 27 April 2018,

Recalling that the International Labour Conference, having adopted the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, adopted Resolution XIII concerning the development of guidelines for flag State inspection and Resolution IV concerning the development of guidelines for port State control, which called for tripartite meetings of experts to develop guidelines for flag State inspections and in order to assist port State control officers carrying out Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, inspections,

Noting that, on the basis of the abovementioned resolutions, the *Guidelines for flag State inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006*, and the *Guidelines for port State control officers carrying out inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006*, were adopted in 2008,

Noting the adoption of the 2014 and 2016 amendments to the Code of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, and bearing in mind the continued consideration and adoption of potential amendments to the Convention,

Mindful that the abovementioned flag State inspections and port State control guidelines do not provide guidance to flag and port State authorities with respect to amendments to the Code of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, and that this has led to concerns about the lack of harmonization in their implementation and enforcement,

Decides, in accordance with article 15 of its Standing Orders, to establish a subsidiary body with the following terms of reference:

- (i) to work by correspondence to amend the *Guidelines for flag State inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006*, and the *Guidelines for port State control officers carrying out inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006*, to only reflect the amendments to the Convention;

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- (ii) to circulate the output, before finalization, to all member States for comment by the competent authority, within three months of receipt;
  - (iii) to submit the outcome of this work to the Governing Body for authorization to publish the amended guidelines on the ILO website.

The subsidiary body shall be composed of four Government representatives, four Shipowner representatives and four Seafarer representatives, in keeping with the Standing Orders of the STC, and supported by the Office.

The work of the subsidiary body shall be coordinated by the Officers of the STC.