

advise the Department on policies, regulations, and technical issues affecting defense trade. The purpose of the meeting will be to review progress of the working groups and to discuss current defense trade issues and topics for further study.

Although public seating will be limited due to the size of the conference room, members of the public may attend this open session as seating capacity allows, and will be permitted to participate in the discussion in accordance with the Chairman's instructions. Members of the public may, if they wish, submit a brief statement to the committee in writing.

As access to the Department of State facilities is controlled, persons wishing to attend the meeting must notify the DTAG Executive Secretariat by COB Monday, September 13, 2004. If notified after this date, the DTAG Secretariat cannot guarantee that State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security can complete the necessary processing required to attend the September 21 plenary.

Each non-member observer or DTAG member needing building access that wishes to attend this plenary session should provide his/her name, company or organizational affiliation, phone number, date of birth, social security number, and citizenship to the DTAG Secretariat, contact person Mary Sweeney via e-mail at SweeneyMF@state.gov. DTAG members planning to attend the plenary session should notify the DTAG Secretariat, contact person Mary Sweeney via e-mail at SweeneyMF@state.gov. A list will be made up for Diplomatic Security and the Reception Desk at the C Street Entrance. Attendees must present a driver's license with photo, a passport, a U.S. Government ID, or other valid photo ID for entry.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meetings

The Working Group on Radio Communications and Search and Rescue of the Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea will conduct open meetings at 1 PM on Thursday August 19 (Room 3200), and 9 a.m. on September 23 (Room 6244-46), October 14 (Room 6244-46), November 18 and December 16, 2004 and January 13, 2005.

The meetings will be held at the Department of Transportation Headquarters Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20950. Call the point of contact below for room numbers. The purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the Ninth Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Subcommittee on Radiocommunications and Search and Rescue, which is scheduled for the week of February 7-11, 2005, at IMO headquarters in London, England.

The primary matters to be considered are:

- Maritime Safety Information for GMDSS
- Development of a procedure for recognition of mobile satellite systems
- Large passenger ship safety
- Emergency radio communications, including false alerts and interference
- Issues related to maritime security
- Matters concerning Search and Rescue
- Developments in maritime radiocommunication systems and technology
- Planning for the 10th session of COMSAR

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the rooms. Interested persons may seek information, including meeting room numbers, or by writing: Mr. Russell S. Levin, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (CG-622), Room 6611, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, by calling: (202) 267-1389, or by sending Internet electronic mail to rlevin@comdt.uscg.mil and viewing <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/marcomms/imo/meetings.htm>.

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Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2004, in Room 2415 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC, 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 52nd Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, England from October 11 to 15, 2004.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water;
- Recycling of ships;
- Prevention of air pollution from ships;
- Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments;
- Interpretations and amendments of MARPOL 73/78 and related instruments;
- Implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC-HNS Protocol and relevant conference resolutions;
- Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas;
- Inadequacy of reception facilities;
- Voluntary IMO Member State Audit Scheme;
- Follow-up to the revised MARPOL Annex I and Annex II;
- Harmful anti-fouling systems for ships;
- Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL 73/78 and related instruments;
- Follow-up to UNCED and WSSD;
- Technical Cooperation Program;
- Future role of formal safety assessment and human element issues; and
- Work program of the Committee and subsidiary bodies.

Please note that hard copies of documents associated with MEPC 52 will not be available at this meeting. Documents will be available in Adobe Acrobat format on CD-ROM. To request documents please write to the address provided below, or request documents via the following Internet link: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/gm/mso/mso4/mepc.html>.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity