

RESOLUTION A.352(IX)

*Adopted on 12 November 1975
Agenda item 3*

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE 1974 AMENDMENTS TO
THE IMCO CONVENTION**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING the amendments to Articles 10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 28, 31 and 32 of the IMCO Convention adopted at the fifth extraordinary session in October 1974,

NOTING that the principal objectives of these amendments are to increase the size and modify the composition of the Council and open membership of the Maritime Safety Committee to all Members of the Organization,

AWARE of the importance of these changes and anxious therefore that they become operative as soon as possible,

BEING OF THE VIEW that it would be most desirable if these amendments were to enter into force sufficiently early for the tenth regular session of the Assembly to base its deliberations on the Convention as amended,

NOTING that for this desirable objective to be achieved it is necessary that the number of acceptances required for the entry into force of the amendments be deposited by the end of October 1976,

RECOGNIZING that constitutional, legal and other procedures involved in the consideration and acceptance of amendments by governments sometimes require considerable time,

NOTING WITH APPRECIATION that a number of Member States have already deposited their instruments of acceptance,

URGES Members which have not yet accepted these amendments to take all possible measures to expedite the process required for acceptance in order to enable them to deposit their instruments of acceptance of the amendments as soon as possible, preferably before 31 October 1976,

REQUESTS the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to encourage speedy action by governments and to provide all possible assistance to any governments which may require such assistance in connexion with any matters or procedures relating to the consideration and acceptance of these amendments.