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AMENDMENT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INLAND NAVIGATION VESSELS (ANNEX TO RESOLUTION NO. 17, REVISED)

Transmitted by the Governments of Belarus, Lithuania and the Russian Federation

<u>Note</u>: Reproduced below is information received from the Governments of Belarus, Lithuania and the Russian Federation regarding the text of the draft amended chapters 7 (Hoisting gear, rigging and equipment) and 14 (Pushers, pushed barges and pushed and towed convoys) of the annex to resolution No. 17, revised, prepared by the Group of Volunteers and subsequently transmitted for further consideration and comments (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/AC.2/2002/1 and Add.1).

Belarus

- 1. Regarding paragraphs 7-3.1 and 7-3.2, the Republic of Belarus wishes to state that manned vessels are equipped in accordance with the rules contained in the Russian Register of Rivers, which specify that when the central illumination system is disconnected, the navigation lights change over to emergency power sources, and thus no provision is made for spare lamps for navigation lights. Accordingly, the second indent under paragraph 7-3.1 should read:
 - "... spare lamps for the navigation lights or an emergency power source for the navigation lights".

Lithuania

2. The Lithuanian Government has no comments or proposals to make about revised chapters 7 and 14.

Russian Federation

- 3. The Russian Federation has no comments or improvements to suggest regarding the revised chapters 7 and 14 of the Recommendations on technical requirements for inland navigation vessels prepared by the Group of Volunteers.
- 4. The draft can be transmitted for consideration and approval by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport.
