

INTRODUCTION

Actions stemming from SSN HLSG decisions

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<i>Summary</i>	This document presents the state of follow-up actions arising from the SSN HLSG.
<i>Action to be taken</i>	As per paragraph 3
<i>Related documents</i>	12 th HLSG draft summary minutes

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

During the 12th meeting of the SafeSeaNet High Level Steering Group (HLSG) in December 2014, several decisions and recommendations were made. This paper focuses on the main **actions** arising from the meeting that have an impact on the SSN Group. It also provides information on the current status of the follow-up actions.

2. ACTIONS FROM HLSG

The most important actions are summarised below:

- a. The Interface and Functionalities Control Document (IFCD) v1.1.1 was approved by the HLSG, taking into account the implementation of Directive 2010/65/EU (RFD).
- b. The HLSG approved the Common Operational Procedures (COP) in order to better define the procedures to be followed by those responsible for both the national and central SSN systems in order to ensure the proper functioning of SSN.
- c. With respect to HAZMAT reporting, the HLSG approved the Common HAZMAT Reference Database (CHRD) requirements, and agreed that EMSA should launch the work on the implementation of the database that will serve as a reference for shippers, the shipping industry and Member State authorities when completing HAZMAT notifications. Also, the HAZMAT guidelines (which address issues related to who, why, what, when, where and how to report HAZMAT information) were approved by the group.

It should be noted that the IFCD v1.1, the COP v2.0 and the HAZMAT Guidelines v1.0 have been published on the EMSA website.

In addition, the following actions have been completed or are being prepared:

- a. Revised terms of reference for the HAZMAT WG (including an explicit reference to IMO developments relating to HAZMAT notification) were approved, and work is on-going (see SSN 23/3/2).
- b. EMSA to contact the National Competent Authorities in order to implement an electronic workflow for requests for access to SSN that are not covered by the VTMISS Directive.
- c. Information on VTMISS authorities, as well as other related information, has been made available to MSs via the EMSA web site (password-protected area).
- d. The implementation of the STMID service for data distribution via SSN in 2015 remains in accordance with the time plan.
- e. CSD pilot project implementation and testing is in line with the time plan.
- f. EMSA is implementing a system-to-system interface in order to transfer all POLWARN/POLINF (Incidents Reports) received by SSN to CECIS.

3. ACTION REQUIRED

Member States are invited to take note of the information.