

Meeting: 1st SSN / LRIT Group Meeting

Place and date: Lisbon, 17 May 2017

Agenda item: Common Operational Procedures (COP) update

Document number: SSN/LRIT 1.3.3

Submitted by EMSA

Summary	Introduces an amendment to the Common Operational Procedures (COP) covering the timing for announcing SSN releases.
Action to be taken	As per paragraph 3.
Related documents	26 th SSN and 14 th LRIT group meeting report

1. Background

The purpose of the SafeSeaNet Common Operational Procedures (SSN COP) is to describe the procedures to be applied for both national and central SSN systems in order to ensure the correct operation of the system and its mandatory functionalities, as defined in the Interface and Functionalities Control Document (IFCD).

The current COP v2.0 was validated by Member States at SSN 22 (29 October 2014) and approved at SSN High Level Steering Group 12 (2 December 2014).

2. Proposal

At the 26th SafeSeaNet and 14th LRIT NCA meetings (19 October 2016), Germany proposed a review of the change management process regarding SSN releases.

As a follow-up to the German proposal, EMSA drafted a revision of the COP which includes the timing for the announcement of SSN releases to MSs. This timing is provided in order to give NCAs enough time to prepare for the deployment of the releases.

The changes are included in track changes in the attached draft of paragraph 2.1 of the COP "Reporting technical failures or planned interventions /releases." All of the other paragraphs in the COP document remain unchanged.

3. Actions required

Member States are invited to note and validate the revised SSN Common Operational Procedures in annex. The document will then be submitted at the next High Level Steering Group meeting on governance of the digital maritime system and services (HLSG) for approval.

Annex:

Paragraph 2.1 of the SSN Common Operational Procedures v2.1 (draft)