

Meeting: 26th SafeSeaNet Group Meeting

Place and date: Lisbon, 19 October 2016

Agenda item: Actions stemming from SSN HLSG decisions

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Summary	This document presents the status of follow-up actions arising from the 15 th SSN HLSG meeting.
Action to be taken	As per paragraph 3.
Related documents	15 th HLSG draft minutes

1. Background Information

During the 15th meeting of the SafeSeaNet High Level Steering Group (HLSG) in July 2016, 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.

An additional HLSG meeting is scheduled for 12th October. The actions arising from that meeting will be reported during the presentation at the SSN Group meeting on 19th October).

2. Actions from HLSG

The most important actions are summarised below:

- a. With respect to the new revised terms of reference for the SSN/LRIT group following the new Commission Decision 2016/566, the draft is to be presented at the HLSG meeting in October.
- b. Adaptations are to be made to the monitoring of operations by the MSS (including the NSW).
- c. PT, GR and MT are to provide their detailed plans and time line for the full operation of SSN V.3 by 1st September (in writing).
- d. Guidelines on the registering and management of exemptions in the SSN system are to be developed in order that they can be incorporated in the PortPlus Guidelines.
- e. MSs not reporting CALDOREP and WETREP MRS information should seek assistance from EMSA in order to accelerate the implementation.
- f. MSs are to address problems related to national system availability in order to avoid disruption in communications.
- g. The business rules for reporting bunkers were approved in principle (with Denmark and the Netherlands expressing reservations). The results of this work are to be included as input in connection with the ongoing evaluation of the VTMIS-RFD Directives in order to see whether there is a need for any possible further clarification in the legal text (Annex 1 to the VTMIS Directive).
- h. The revised SSN Incident Report Guidelines were approved.

- i. The Waste Business Rules were approved, but the HLSG asked for the table in Annex I to the business rules (definition of the fields) to be circulated in order to obtain final verification of the minor editorial changes introduced.
- j. The HLSG agreed with the proposal to transmit all waste information to the central SSN within the PortPlus notification. This is to be implemented in SSN v4.
- k. The SSN v4 technical requirements and time plan for implementation are to be presented at the next HLSG meeting, also considering the conclusion made in relation to the business rules for reporting bunkers.
- l. The revised IFCD v1.1.2 was approved.
- m. The mandate of the IFCD WG is to be modified in order to prepare a further revised IFCD following the new Commission Decision 2016/566. The new ToRs for the IFCD revision group will be submitted at the next HLSG meeting for approval.
- n. The procedure whereby requests from non-VTMIS users are validated by SSN NCAs was approved. EMSA is to provide guidelines to the NCAs.
- o. The revision of the policy for access to, and use of, SSN information was initiated by the HLSG. This is to be discussed at the next Maritime Directors' Meeting in October.

3. Action Required

Member States are invited to take note of this information.