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**Improved safety of pilot transfer arrangements:
Results of Safety Campaign/Survey**

Submitted by the International Maritime Pilots' Association (IMPA)

SUMMARY

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| <i>Executive summary:</i> | This document covers the attached safety campaign/survey results, collected by IMPA |
| <i>Strategic direction, if applicable:</i> | Not applicable |
| <i>Output:</i> | Not applicable |
| <i>Action to be taken:</i> | Paragraph 7 |
| <i>Related documents:</i> | SOLAS regulation V/23 and resolution A.1045(27) |

1 This document covers a summary report (available via the link provided in paragraph 6) on a safety campaign carried out by the Association during October 2019.

2 The Organization has previously requested IMPA to ask its member organizations to provide the above information to port State control officials in the ports where they provide pilotage services. Reports have been provided previously in 2002, 2007, 2010, 2015, 2017 and 2018.

3 IMPA considers that the level of defects remains too high.

4 IMPA was optimistic that the inclusion of pilot ladders in the ship's safety equipment inspection regime under the changes to SOLAS regulation V/23, through resolution A.1045(27) in 2011 would have had an effect on the standards found in future campaigns/surveys. This has not happened to any significant degree.

5 IMPA is also perturbed about the number of vessels that are built or are modified in such a way that they cannot comply with the construction standards required by IMO. Rubbing strakes and ballast tanks that prevent ladders from laying on the vessels' sides are being signed off by class societies and other signatories to SOLAS.

6 The IMPA Safety Survey may be viewed in colour via the link:
<http://www.impahq.org/admin/resources/impasafety-brochure-2019-2.pdf>

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

7 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the campaign/survey results.
