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LIAISON NOTE

LIAISON to IMO IALA CIRM on revision REC ITU-R M1371-5

# INTRODUCTION

The VTS Committee welcomes the possibility on giving our feedback into ITU on the latest revision on M1371-5.

The technical description is considered by ENAV, and VTS have no further comments for the technical description. However, we are concerned that the changes suggested might have unforeseen implications on the operational usage of AIS. In table 53 there is a mixture of ship type and dynamic information on cargo. This should be avoided.

We do see opportunities arise with the latest revision of this document to include information on capabilities to support the use of Maritime Services, and also getting more precise information from vessels on number of passengers and cargo types.

# CONSIDERATIONS

1. The changes of navigational status and of ship types should be closely considered to ensure there is improvement of the use both for shipside and shoreside/VTS to those changes. Changes in navigational status needs to be according to regulations in COLREG.
2. There might be an opportunity to include whether or not a vessel supports the use of Maritime Services, this could be included in message 24B alongside VDES information.
3. It is assumed that AIS equipment on-board and ashore operating on the current standard will not be harmed when receiving the new format. But there will be a transition phase where the AIS equipment on-board and ashore will operate either on the current or on the new standard. The operational implication on that should be considered.

# ACTION REQUESTED

The ARM Committee is requested to:

1. Consider how to best include Maritime Services in AIS messages
2. Look into how the navigational status and ship types suggestions will impact usage