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LIAISON NOTE

Request for input and review on draft revision of G1105

# INTRODUCTION

The VTS Committee has, through the liaison note from ARM (ARM15-11.3.1.3), been requested to review and provide comments to ARM16 on the G1105 for final drafting and submission to Council. Please note that it was not possible to open the inserted G1105 from the Liaison Note, but we got the latest version from the Secretariat.

The VTS Committee welcomes the work undertaken by ARM in updating G1105 and is grateful for the liaison note and accompanying draft update. It provides an opportunity to align the various ongoing tasks and related documents and to provide clarity on several existing recommendations and guidelines which all cover portrayal to some degree. We have also noted that text on VTS from a present VTS task on drafting a guideline on portrayal of VTS information and data has been inserted in G1105.

# WORK ON PORTRAYAL

VTS Committee is responsible for two recommendations on portrayal under S1040 VTS and scope 4.3 VTS data and information management:

1. *R0125 Use and presentation of symbology at a VTS centre*
2. *R1014 Portrayal of VTS Information and Data*

In the present work programme 2018-2023 the VTS Committee has two tasks on VTS portrayal:

1.2.9 - Revise R0125 and split into a Rec + GL. Relevant parts of R1014 (Portrayal of VTS Information and Data) to be incorporated into R0125. Draft new guidance on Portrayal and Presentation of VTS Symbology, Information and Data. To incorporate/amalgamate relevant parts of the revised R125 and consider merging with GL from task 2.1.1.

2.1.1 - Develop a Guideline on the portrayal of VTS information and data (both operational and technical aspects).

The VTS Committee recalled that during this work period there has been several discussions on the proposed way forward as regards the portrayal documents, both with ENAV and ARM but also with PAP. It is understood that ARM has been given this responsibility from ENAV and focuses on aids to navigation portrayal specifications for chart contents and display aspects of ECDIS.

# RESPONSE REQUESTED ACTION

During VTS53 the Committee discussed and considered how to best deal with the VTS portrayal documents and tasks including the request from ARM. We came to the conclusion that the VTS Committee will focus to provide guidance on VTS portrayal which regards the display of the VTS traffic image separately from the presentation of other information and data.

In response to the action requested by ARM, we intend to proceed with the tasks as described below:

* At this session, VTS53, VTS Committee will edit appropriate sections of the existing R0125 and R1014 such that the text of R1014 will form the wording of an updated R0125 with a new title “VTS Portrayal”.
* The content of R0125 will form the basis of a new guideline entitled “Portrayal of VTS Information”.
* As a result of the above, VTS Committee will then have one recommendation and one associated guideline specific to VTS portrayal. R1014 will be withdrawn as there is already a guideline with the same number.
* During the 2023-2027 WP, VTS Committee will update this new guideline on portrayal of VTS information to incorporate the significant work the VTS Committee has produced over the existing work period on the tasks.
* During the work described above, VTS Committee will remove references to “data”, any references not bespoke to VTS and to prevent any overlap with the work undertaken by ARM.

# ACTION REQUESTED

The ARM Committee is requested to:

1. note the progress and conclusions on VTS portrayal by the VTS Committee as described above and in attached documents;
2. removing references on VTS portrayal from G1105;
3. consider the need for a new recommendation to link the updated G1105 to the appropriate standard;
4. continue to liaise with the VTS Committee such that the end products of recommendations and guidelines on portrayal are clear, non-conflicting and compliment each other (to aid this process, copies of the current drafts of the new VTS portrayal documents are attached); and
5. consider the benefits of planning a coordinated submission of all VTS and ARM portrayal documents to Council together so that it is clear to Council members how these portrayal documents are being rationalised and how they relate to each other.