

RESOLUTION A.640(16)

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Agenda item 14*

INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE FACILITATION COMMITTEE

THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING resolutions A.358(IX) and A.400(X) by which it adopted amendments to the IMO Convention,

NOTING FURTHER that one of the objectives of those amendments was to institutionalize the Legal Committee, the Marine Environment Protection Committee and the Technical Co-operation Committee under the IMO Convention,

TAKING NOTE of the view generally held in the Assembly that, having regard to the importance of facilitation as an essential and continuing part of the work of IMO, it is necessary and desirable that the Facilitation Committee be also institutionalized as an organ of the Organization,

RECOGNIZING that such institutionalization would require consideration and solution of related substantive and drafting problems, in accordance with the requirements of Article 66 of the Convention, which could not be achieved at the present (sixteenth regular) session,

1. REQUESTS the Facilitation Committee to draft proposals for the necessary amendments to the IMO Convention with a view to institutionalizing that Committee under the IMO Convention and to submit those proposals for amendments to the Assembly at its seventeenth session;
2. INVITES Member Governments to submit any proposals and comments to the Secretary-General as soon as possible in order to enable them to be circulated to other Member Governments sufficiently in advance of the next session of the Facilitation Committee.