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To: All IMO Member States

Contracting Governments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea,

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United Nations and Specialized Agencies

Intergovernmental Organizations

Non-governmental Organizations in consultative status

Subject: Implementation of IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification

Number Scheme (resolution MSC.160(78))

GENERAL

- The IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme was introduced through the adoption by the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its seventy-eighth session (12 to 21 May 2004), of resolution MSC.160(78), as a measure to enhance maritime safety, security and environmental protection, and to facilitate the prevention of maritime fraud. Its purpose is to assign a permanent number for identification purposes to each company and/or registered owner managing ships of 100 gross tonnage and above engaged on international voyages. Additionally, Administrations are invited to participate in the scheme to the extent they desire by assigning an IMO unique company and registered owner identification number (hereinafter, referred to as "Number") to each company and/or registered owner managing ships of 100 gross tonnage and above not engaged on international voyages. The procedures for the implementation of resolution MSC.160(78) were circulated by means of Circular letter No.2554, dated 24 June 2004.
- The Committee, at its eightieth session (11 to 20 May 2005), adopted the proposed new SOLAS regulation XI-1/3-1 on the company and registered owner identification number and amendments to SOLAS regulation XI-1/5 on the continuous synopsis record (resolution MSC.194(80)), which should be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and should enter into force on 1 January 2009.
- MSC 80 also adopted amendments to the International Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (ISM Code) (resolution MSC.195(80)) and to the International Code for the Security of Ships and of Port Facilities (International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code) (resolution MSC.196(80)) introducing references to the company and registered owner identification number.
- 4 MSC 80 agreed that the procedures for the implementation of resolution MSC.160(78) outlined in Circular letter No.2554 should be reviewed and revised as necessary by the Sub-Committee on Flag State Implementation (FSI), at its fourteenth session (5 to 9 June 2006).
- 5 The Committee, at its eighty-second session (29 November to 8 December 2006), considered the outcome of the review by FSI 14 of the procedures for obtaining the Numbers, and the

procedures in place for maintaining the integrity of the scheme. This resulted in the addition of a web service, revised data exchange procedures between Administrations and Lloyd's Register-Fairplay (LRF) and the reporting of the name-style of registered owners as recorded by national Administrations in their jurisdiction. The Committee approved the present circular letter, noting the concurrent decision by the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC), at its fifty-fifth session (9 to 13 October 2006). Having also considered that the operational aspects of the numbering scheme may need to be further developed, based on the experience gained, the Committee requested the Secretariat to make any necessary adjustments, in co-operation with the manager of the scheme, in order to improve the service to be provided to Member States.

PRINCIPLES

- The IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme is managed, in parallel with the IMO Ship Identification Number Scheme (resolution A.600(15)) and procedures for the implementation thereof (Circular letter No.1886/Rev.3), without charge by LRF. The scheme may assign Numbers to companies and/or registered owners of ships not required to have IMO ship identification numbers.
- The Number is a LRF number, allocated at the time of issuance of the documents detailed in paragraph 6 of the Annex to resolution MSC.160(78) or registration of a ship not required to have these documents. The Number consists of seven digits assigned by LRF. The label begins with the letters "IMO" followed by either "Company" or "Registered Owner", then, followed by the seven digits.
- 8 "Company" has the same meaning as in SOLAS regulation IX/1. "Registered owner" is the owner specified on a ship's certificate of registry issued by an Administration.
- New companies and/or registered owners managing ships covered by the scheme are assigned a Number by LRF when their ship is registered with a flag Administration. For existing companies and/or registered owners, the Number should be assigned at an early convenient date, such as when any document detailed in paragraph 6 of the Annex to resolution MSC.160(78) is issued or renewed.
- Once assigned, the Number remains unchanged for a company and/or registered owner. When companies and/or registered owners merge, as a matter of general policy, LRF assigns the Number of the larger company and/or registered owner to the new amalgamated entity, while the Number of the smaller entity is frozen and not re-used.
- 11 LRF maintains a full history audit trail of changes to company and/or registered owner information, with the date of each change recorded. LRF maintains the history of companies and/or registered owners of ships on its database.
- 12 LRF operates under ISO 9001:2000 quality assurance and is ISO certified for the provisions of publishing and information services to the shipping industry. In order to maintain the integrity of the Numbers in circulation amongst the maritime community, the Administrations should, to the extent allowed by their national law, not publish these Numbers, or allow the Numbers to be viewed or downloaded from their websites, other than on a company-by-company basis.
- 13 Contracting Governments to SOLAS retain the right to assign the management of the system to another organization in the future or to manage it by itself. If LRF cannot continue to maintain the scheme for any reason, all related information acquired from the scheme should be transferred to the Organization.

COLLECTION AND TRANSFER OF INFORMATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF NUMBERS ON AN INDIVIDUAL COMPANY/REGISTERED OWNER BASIS

- Original information about a company and/or registered owner is collected by the Administration at the time of registration. It is the same information as that routinely collected by Administrations as part of their registration process, namely:
 - .1 company/registered owner name-styles;
 - .2 country/State of incorporation (registration);
 - .3 date of incorporation; and
 - .4 full address (operational and registered address) and contact details. LRF records the operational address of companies and registered owners. The operational address can be the address of a head office or a branch office, or a care-of address for the registered owner or company which has been issued with a Document of Compliance (DOC) and managing the ship for which communication details are provided, hereafter called "DOC Company". The LRF database also records the registered address of registered owners but only under the conditions in paragraph 22.
- During the registration of a ship, the Administration should contact LRF to determine the Number to be assigned to the company or registered owner, either through the present methods established for obtaining Numbers on an individual basis, as described in paragraph 17, or, preferably, through the fleet data exchanges (see paragraphs 18, 19 and 20).
- Numbers can also be obtained by recognized organizations (ROs) authorized to issue Safety Management Certificates and Documents of Compliance on behalf of Administrations, and by registered owners and companies, for submission to the Administration.
- The methods for obtaining Numbers on existing registered owners and companies, for assigning a Number to registered owners or companies that have not previously been assigned a Number and for communicating corrected company details on existing records, on an individual basis, are as follows:
 - a free website (www.imonumbers.lrfairplay.com) which allows registered users to look up Numbers, by using the available "Search" facility. When the companies or registered owners cannot be identified through the "Search" function, authorized data providers should request the assignment of new Numbers or provide corrective information on existing records. The website has a free user registration system to enhance both the security of the site and the information;
 - .2 paper request forms (annexes 1 and 2); and
 - a free web service for Administrations to facilitate the provision of individual company and registered owner data from LRF to flag Administrations in an electronic format for ship registration purposes (sections 1.1 and 1.2 of annex 4).

LRF would confirm the updated company information received with the appropriate Administration.

STANDARDIZED REGULAR ELECTRONIC DATA EXCHANGE BETWEEN ADMINISTRATIONS AND LRF ON A FLEET BASIS

- When choosing this recommended option, Administrations would implement a regular electronic data exchange procedure with LRF on a fleet basis (as detailed in section 2 of annex 4, together with the data fields that Administrations should provide electronically (annex 3)) to enable LRF to maintain the integrity of the scheme. The exchanges provide a mechanism to communicate, per ship, changes to registered owners and companies and their IMO Numbers, on a registered fleet basis, and thus synchronise the information held on the registered fleet by both the Administration and LRF.
- 19 The regular electronic data exchange procedure on a fleet basis includes a standardized two-way flow of data between flag Administrations and LRF on the registered fleet, either by spreadsheet or extensible markup language (XML) file (section 2 of annex 4).
- LRF would derive the updates to the registered fleet through electronic comparison with its database. New and updated Numbers would then be returned to the flag Administration in an updated spreadsheet or XML file.
- Regarding the addition of a second company name field, the LRF database records the name-style of registered owners as provided by Administrations for companies registered in their national jurisdictions. LRF can only receive the contents of this field in the XML data format detailed in section 2 of annex 4, since this format should have agreed character sets that are consistent with both the LRF database software and the software of organizations to which LRF supplies data (annex 4, paragraph 2.9).
- The LRF database also records the registered address of registered owners as provided by Administrations for companies registered in their national jurisdictions. LRF can only receive the contents of this field in the XML data format detailed in section 2 of annex 4, since this format should have agreed character sets that are consistent with both the LRF database software and the software of organizations to which LRF supplies data (annex 4, paragraph 2.9).

CONSULTATION ON NUMBERS

- The LRF website (www.imonumbers.lrfairplay.com), with a free user registration system to enhance both the security of the site and the information available, allows registered users to look up Numbers, by using the available "Search" facility, and Administrations, ROs and companies to communicate corrected company details on existing records.
- Administrations assume no duty to examine, correct, change, alter, or modify information contained on the LRF free website, or to notify LRF of incorrect information contained on the website. Administrations are not liable for mistakes or errors in the information on the website. This website is also available to companies and/or registered owners, who may use it when completing continuous synopsis records (CSR) (resolution A.959(23)).

The Numbers can also be obtained by contacting the national ship registry of the State, the flag of which their ships are entitled to fly or LRF at the following address:

Lloyd's Register – Fairplay (LRF) Lombard House 3 Princess Way, Redhill Surrey RH1 1UP UNITED KINGDOM

Telephone : (+44) 1737 379000 Fax : (+44) 1737 379001 Web : www.lrfairplay.com

Email : owners-data-feedback@lrfairplay.com

The Numbers are also available on the free public website of Equasis (www.equasis.org).

REQUEST FOR IMO COMPANY (DOC) IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

LLOYD'S REGISTER - FAIRPLAY (LRF)

Lombard House

3 Princess Way, Redhill Surrey RH1 1UP UNITED KINGDOM

Telephone +44 1737 379060 International fax +44 1737 379040 Email owners-data-feedback@lrfairplay.com

TO ENABLE ASSIGNMENT OF A COMPANY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

CURRENT COMPANY NAME* FORMER NAME(S) (if known)

Please indicate if: This is correcting the details for an existing company on the LRF database

This is a newly established company

This is a change of company name (please give former names above)

This is a company merger (please give former names of all companies above)

DATE OF REGISTRATION COUNTRY OF REGISTRATION OPERATIONAL ADDRESS*

TOWN*

POSTAL/ZIP CODE*

COUNTRY*

TELEPHONE FAX E-MAIL WEBSITE

IF KNOWN PARENT COMPANY

IMO ship identification number(s) *

If not available other ship details (please supply at least one IMO ship identification number in the current fleet. This helps in the identification of company records)

Company requesting IMO Number

COMPANY NAME*

CONTACT NAME*

SENDER'S EMAIL*

SENDER'S FAX NUMBER*

Items indicated with an asterisk (*) are required and must be filled in before a number can be provided.

It is the policy of LRF to record the operational addresses of companies which have been issued with a Document of Compliance (DOC). The operational address can be the address of a head office or a branch office, or a care-of address for the manager or company which has been issued with a DOC and managing the ship for which communication details are provided.

The country of registration of the company which has been issued with a DOC is also recorded.

For office use only.:

IMO Company No.

REQUEST FOR IMO REGISTERED OWNER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

LLOYD'S REGISTER – FAIRPLAY (LRF)

Lombard House

3 Princess Way, Redhill Surrey RH1 1UP UNITED KINGDOM

Telephone +44 1737 379060 International fax +44 1737 379040 Email owners-data-feedback@lrfairplay.com

TO ENABLE ASSIGNMENT OF A REGISTERED OWNER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

CURRENT COMPANY NAME* FORMER NAME(S) (if known)

Please indicate if: This is correcting the details for an existing company on the LRF database

This is a newly established company

This is a change of company name (please give former names above)

This is a company merger (please give former names of all companies above)

DATE OF REGISTRATION COUNTRY OF REGISTRATION OPERATIONAL ADDRESS*

TOWN*

POSTAL/ZIP CODE*

COUNTRY*

TELEPHONE FAX E-MAIL WEBSITE

IF KNOWN PARENT COMPANY

IMO ship identification number(s)*

If not available other ship details (please supply at least one IMO ship identification number in the current fleet. This helps in the identification of company records)

Company requesting IMO Number

COMPANY NAME*

CONTACT NAME*

SENDER'S EMAIL*

SENDER'S FAX NUMBER*

This company has also been issued with a I
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Items indicated with an asterisk (*) are required and must be filled in before a number can be provided.

It is the policy of LRF to record the operational addresses of registered owners. The operational address can be the address of a head office or a branch office, or a care-of address for the manager or company which has been issued with a DOC and managing the ship for which communication details are provided.

LRF only records the Registered Address of Registered Owners when this information is received directly from Administrations in the XML schema described in section 2 of annex 4.

The country of registration of the registered owner is also recorded.

For office use only:

IMO Registered Owner No.

FIELD LIST DESCRIPTIONS OF DATA TO BE EXCHANGED BETWEEN FLAG ADMINISTRATIONS AND LRF ON SHIPS IN THE ADMINISTRATION'S REGISTER

FIELD LABEL	FIELD DESCRIPTION
SHIP IDENTITY	
Source	Reporting Administration country code
IMO Number	IMO Ship identification number
ShipName	Ship name
MMSI	MMSI number
	Port of registry as recorded on the ship's
PortOfRegistry	papers
	Number allocated by the national
OfficialNumber	registration Authority
CallSign	Call sign
SHIP FIELDS	
	Gross tonnage measured under the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969
GrossTonnage69Convention	(1969 Convention)
Gross Folinageo9Convention	Pre 1969 Convention gross tonnage
	measurement, as provided by the
	reporting (source) Administrations. LRF
	will maintain this field on their database.
	Note that LRF is only able to accept the
	contents of this field from
	Administrations in the XML in the
GrossTonnageFlagConvention	appendix to annex 4.
Gross rominger ingeon vention	Net tonnage measured under the
	International Convention on Tonnage
	Measurement of Ships, 1969
NetTonnage69Convention	(1969 Convention)
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	measurement, as provided by the
	reporting (source) Administrations. LRF
	will maintain this field on their database.
	Note that LRF is only able to accept the
	contents of this field from
	Administrations in the XML schema in
NetTonnageFlagConvention	the appendix to annex 4.
	The weight in tonnes (1,000 kg) of cargo,
	stores, fuel and passengers and crew
	carried by the ship when loaded to her
DeadWeight	maximum summer load line
	Year ship was officially completed by the
YearOfBuild	shipyard and delivered to the owner
	Month ship was officially completed by
MonthOfBuild	the shipyard and delivered to the owner

Shipbuild	lor	The name of the original builder of the ship
Silipoulid	ici	The nationality of the shipyard that built
CountryC	OfShipbuilderCode	the ship. Code
Country	on pounder code	The nationality of the shipyard that built
CountryC)fShipbuilderDecode	the ship. Decode
	TypeCode	LRF Shiptype code
	TypeDecode	LRF Shiptype description
1		Reporting (source) Administration ship
		type description. LRF will maintain this
		field on their database. Note that LRF is
		only able to accept the contents of this
A 1 . C1	· T D ·	field from Administrations in the XML
	ipTypeDescription	schema in the appendix to annex 4
IMO_Reg	gOwnerNumber	IMO registered owner Number
		Registered owner name (or bareboat charterer), in the name-style provided by
		Administrations for companies registered
		in their national jurisdiction. LRF will
		maintain this field on their database. Note
		that LRF is only able to accept the
		contents of this field from
		Administrations in the XML schema in
RegOwne	erNameAdminNamestyle	the appendix to annex 4.
		Registered owner name (or bareboat
		charterer), in the name-style recorded by LRF. Minor amendments may be made to
		names in accordance with a style guide
RegOwne	erNameLRFNamestyle	for database reasons
		Registered owner registered address as
		provided by Administrations for
		companies registered in their national
		jurisdiction. LRF will maintain this field
		on their database. Note that LRF is only
		able to accept the contents of this field from Administrations in the XML schema
RegOwne	erRegisteredAddressAdmin	in the appendix to annex 4.
Tiogo wife	Biotorou ramooor ramin	Registered owner (or bareboat charterer)
		country of company registration – country
RegOwne	erCountryOfRegistrationCode	code
		Registered owner (or bareboat charterer)
RegOwne	erCountryOfRegistrationDecode	country of company registration (decode)
		Date that the registered owner (or
	erDateFounded	bareboat charterer) was established
	OC_CompanyNumber	IMO Company (DOC) Number
	mpanyName	DOC Company
_	mpanyFullAddress	DOC Company full address
DOC_Co	mpanyTown	DOC Company town

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DOC_CompanyState	DOC Company State/Province/County
DOC_CompanyPostCode	DOC Company Postcode
	DOC Company country of domicile -
DOC_CompanyCountryDomicileCode	Country code
DOC_CompanyCountryDomicileDecode	DOC Company country of domicile
	DOC Company country of registration –
DOC_CompanyCountryRegistrationCode	Country code
DOC_CompanyCountryRegistrationDecode	DOC Company country of registration
DOC_CompanyFoundedDate	DOC Company founded date
SMC_Auditor	SMC Auditor
SMC DateIssued	SMC Date issued
SMC ExpiryDate	SMC Expiry date
DOC Auditor	DOC Auditor
DOC DateIssued	DOC Date issued
DOC ExpiryDate	DOC Expiry date
ADDITIONAL FIELDS FOR PARALLEL-REGISTERED SHIPS	<u> </u>
	For parallel-in ships the Administration
	where the ship's true ownership is
	registered. This field is relevant where the
	registered owner is a bareboat charter
	under the reporting (source)
	Administration. For parallel-out ships,
D 11 1D 11	the Administration to which the ship is
ParallelRegister	bare-boat chartered.
	For parallel-registered ships, the true owner recorded by the parallel-out
ParallelOwner	Administration
SHIP STATUS FIELDS	7 Commission
	P = Ship in register (Permanent
	or Provisional)
	PI = Parallel-in ship
	PO = Parallel-out ship
	D = Ship deleted from register (LRF will
	report ships deleted from the register
FlagStatus	within 6 months prior to the update)
	Current service status e.g. in service, laid
ShipStatusCode	up, under construction, in repair, in conversion. Code
ShipStatusCode ShipStatusDecode	Current service status. Decode.
Simpountabecode	Date ship entered the reporting (source)
DateShipEnteredRegister	register
	Date ship deleted from the reporting
DateShipDeletedFromRegister	(source) register
	New Administration of ship deleted from
	the reporting (source) register – Country
NewRegisterOfShipsCode	code

	New Administration of ship deleted from	
NewRegisterOfShipsDecode	the reporting (source) register. (Decode)	
	Reported new flag. This field will be used	
	by LRF to confirm a flag change reported	
	by the Administration, or to identify a	
	reported flag change from LRF network	
ReportedNewFlagCode	of sources. Code	
ReportedNewFlagDecode	Reported new flag. Decode	
ReportedBrokenUp	Reported broken up	
ReportedToBeBrokenUp	Reported to be broken up	
ReportedTotalLoss	Reported total loss	
ADDITIONAL FIELDS FOR PARALLEL-REGISTERED SHIPS		
	For parallel-out ships, the date the ship	
DateShipParallelOut	was bare-boat chartered.	
	For former parallel-out ships, the date the	
	ship returned to the permanent register of	
DateShipReturnFromParallelOut	the reporting (source) Administration.	

Format options:

- (i)
- by spreadsheet (see paragraph 19): Excel or Access by XML file (see paragraph 19, section 2 of annex 4 and appendix) (ii)

LRF WEB SERVICE TO FACILITATE THE ELECTRONIC PROVISION OF COMPANY, REGISTERED OWNER AND SHIP DATA TO ADMINISTRATIONS; AND THE TWO-WAY EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN ADMINISTRATIONS AND LRF

- 1 LRF launched a web service for the exclusive use of Administrations. Access to this service could also be made via the IMO Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS). The web service offers two data services:
 - a download of company and registered owner data from the LRF database on entry by the Administration of an IMO company or registered owner number.
 - 1.1 this data would allow the Administration to validate company data against the IMO company or registered owner number for insertion on the ship's documents as detailed in resolution MSC.160(78).
 - .1.2 the following fields will be downloaded from LRF:

IMO company or registered owner number Registered owner or company name (LRF name-style) Registered owner name (Administration name-style) Operational address Registered owner registered address Country of registration

- .1.3 the format would be XML according to the schema in the appendix to annex 4; and
- a download of ship data from the LRF database on entry by the Administration of an IMO ship identification number.
 - .2.1 this data would allow the Administration to validate ship data against the IMO ship identification number.
 - .2.2 the following fields would be downloaded from LRF:

IMO Ship identification number

Official Number

Ship name

Port of registry

Call sign

Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) number

Gross tonnage

Net tonnage

Date of build year

Date of build month

Type of ship code

Type of ship decode

- .2.3 the format would be extensible markup language (XML) according to the schema in the appendix to annex 4.
- The data exchange will provide an update of ship and company data on a registered fleet to LRF at a regular frequency, or when details of ships in each registered fleet change. The same mechanism could be used to supply updates from LRF to the Administration.
- 2.1 This data exchange includes ships within the scope of the IMO Company and Registered Owner Numbering Scheme: all ships of 100 GT and above engaged in international or domestic voyages.
- 2.2 The ships reported by each Administration are those in provisional, permanent, parallel-in and parallel-out registration.
- 2.3 The data exchange can be by spreadsheet or by XML file. The service would use standardized data formats which would make easier data transfer and integration into databases.
- 2.4 The fields to be updated are listed with full field descriptions in annex 3. Each update record will consist of the ship identity fields followed by any field in the list that has changed since the last update.
- 2.5 The XML file would use the schema descried in the appendix.
- 2.6 The proposed update frequency will be agreed with each Administration: for example, transmission of the ship record at the point of change, or batch transmission of ship records daily, weekly or monthly.
- 2.7 Each Administration would be responsible for generating its XML files.
- 2.8 Tables of translation code cross references between country and shiptype coding systems used by Administrations and the LRF coding systems, can be supplied by LRF.
- 2.9 Within the XML schema, language and character sets should be defined to ensure consistent translation between different international code sets
- 2.10 The delivery of the XML files can take place in various ways. These can be discussed with each Administration to agree the best method.

Appendix

FIELD LIST XML SCHEMA AND UPDATE RULES

1 Ship identity

1.1 The first seven data items in the XML file identify the ship:

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<xsd:element name="Source" minOccurs="1" od:jetType="text" od:sqlSType="nvarchar">
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<xsd:maxLength value="7"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element> <xsd:element</pre>
name="ShipName" minOccurs="1" od:jetType="text" od:sqlSType="nvarchar"> <xsd:simpleType>
<xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="50"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element> <xsd:element</pre>
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</xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:maxLength value="39"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="13"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="CallSign" minOccurs="0" od:jetType="text" od:sqlSType="nvarchar"> rchar">
<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="13"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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1.2 The first three have a minOccurs="1" which means that they must be present for all ships in the XML file. MMSI, although it is part of the ship identity, has a minOccurs="0" which means that it doesn't have to appear in the XML file. All other data items in the schema have minOccurs="0" and these only appear if the data item is present (in a replacement update), or has changed (in a changes update).

2 Ship fields

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<xsd:element name="GrossTonnage69Convention" minOccurs="0" od:jetType="longinteger"</p>
od:sqlSType="int"> <xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:integer"/> </xsd:simpleType>
</xsd:element>
<xsd:element name="GrossTonnageFlagConvention" minOccurs="0" od:jetType="longinteger"</p>
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</xsd:element>
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<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:integer"/>
</xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="4"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:maxLength value="2"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="50"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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<xsd:simpleType> <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
<xsd:maxLength value="20"/> </xsd:restriction> </xsd:simpleType> </xsd:element>
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3 Ship status fields

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4 Example

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