

THIRD INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP Agenda item 1 92FUND/WGR.3/13 29 November 2002 Original: ENGLISH

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE THIRD INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP

to be held at the Headquarters of the International Maritime Organization, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1, from Tuesday 4 February, 9.30 am, to Friday 7 February 2003

Opening of the session

1 Adoption of the Agenda

2 Review of the international compensation regime

At its 4th extraordinary session in April 2000 the Assembly decided that it would be appropriate to consider whether, in the light of experience, the international compensation regime established under the 1992 Civil Liability Convention and the 1992 Fund Convention needed improvements in order to meet the needs of the international community. The Assembly set up a Working Group to consider the adequacy of the regime.

The Working Group held meetings in July 2000, March 2001, June 2001 and April/May 2002.

The Report of the Working Group on its fourth meeting (document 92FUND/A.7/4) was examined by the Assembly at its 7th session. The Assembly instructed the Working Group to continue its work under the following mandate:

(a) to continue an exchange of views concerning the need for and the possibilities of further improving the compensation regime established by the 1992 Civil Liability Convention and the 1992 Fund Convention, including issues mentioned in paragraph 27.3 of

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document 92FUND/A.6/4, which had already been identified by the Working Group, but not yet resolved; and

(b) to report to the next regular session of the Assembly on the progress of its work and make such recommendations as it may deem appropriate.

At its 7th session, the Assembly endorsed a statement by the Chairman of the Working Group that, in order to enable the Working Group to make progress on any issues, delegations should produce written concrete proposals, preferably in the form of draft treaty texts.

3 Adoption of the Report to the Assembly

The Working Group will be invited to consider the procedure for preparing its report to the Assembly.