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Renewal of Cultural Property Advisory Committee Charter

The Charter of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee is being renewed for a two-year period. The membership of this advisory committee consists of private sector experts in archaeology/anthropology/ethnology; experts in the international sale of cultural property; and, representatives of museums and of the general public. The committee was established by 19 U.S.C. 2601 et seq., the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act. It reviews requests from other countries seeking U.S. import restrictions on archaeological or ethnological material the pillage of which places a country’s cultural heritage in jeopardy. The committee makes findings and recommendations to the Secretary of State, who, on behalf of the President, determines whether to impose the import restrictions.

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Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday June 1, 2003, in Room 4420 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC, 20593–0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 54th Session of the International Maritime Organization’s (IMO) Technical Co-operation Committee from June 15th to 17th and to prepare for the 92nd Session of the IMO Council from June 21st to 25th, both to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, England.

The primary matters to be considered for the Technical Co-operation Committee include:

—Work of other bodies and organizations;
—Global programme on maritime security;
—Partnership arrangements for technical co-operation;
—Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2005;
—Other matters.

The primary matters to be considered for Council include:
—Consideration of the reports of the Maritime Safety Committee, Legal Committee, Marine Environmental Protection Committee and Technical Co-operation Committee;
—Consideration of the strategy and policy of the Organization;
—Resource Management;
—Relations with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;
—International Maritime Prize;
—Other matters.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information, including meeting room numbers, by writing to: Mr. Russell S. Levin, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (G–C1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Room 2114, Washington, DC 20593–0001 or by calling (202) 267–2246.

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Subcommittee on Safety of Navigation (NAV), which is scheduled for July 5–9, 2004, at IMO Headquarters in London.

Items of principal interest on the COMSAR agenda are:
—Maritime Safety Information for GDSS
—Development of a procedure for recognition of mobile satellite systems
—Emergency radiocommunications
—Large passenger ship safety
—Issues related to maritime security
—Developments in maritime radiocommunication systems and technology, including long-range tracking
—Matters concerning Search & Rescue
—Planning for the 9th session of COMSAR

Items of principal interest on the NAV agenda are:
—Routing of ships, ship reporting and related matters
—Requirements for the display and use of Automatic Identification System (AIS) information on shipborne navigational displays
—Anchoring, mooring and towing equipment
—Revision of the fishing vessel Safety Code and voluntary guidelines
—Recommendations on high-risk oceanic crossing by adventure craft
—Review of performance standards for radar equipment
—International Telecommunication Union (ITU) matters, including Radiocommunication ITU–R Study Group 8 matters
—Large passenger ship safety: Effective voyage planning for large passenger ships
—Measures to enhance maritime security
—World-wide radionavigation system (WWRNS)
—Casualty analysis
—Guidance on early abandonment for bulk carriers

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