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AN UPDATES ON THE STRAITS PROJECT 11: Development on the Joint Guidelines of the Places of Refuge for Ships in Needs of Assistance in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore (SOMS)

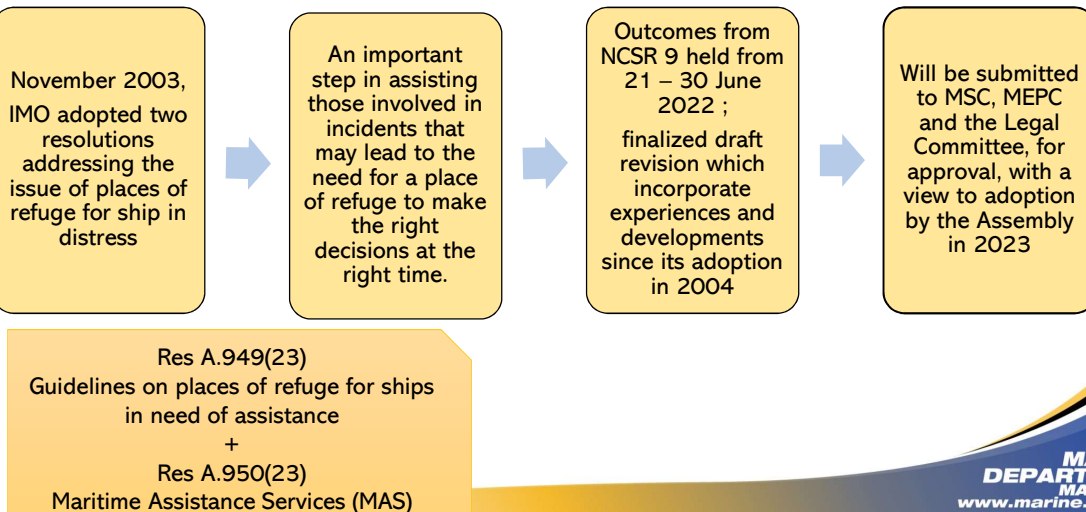
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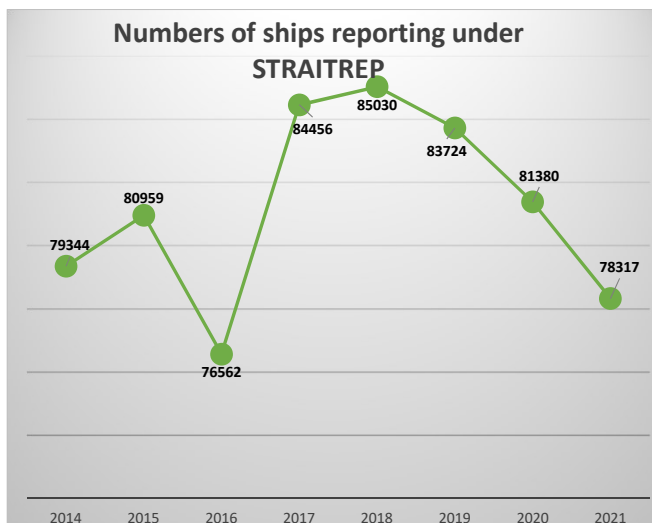
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Current Status



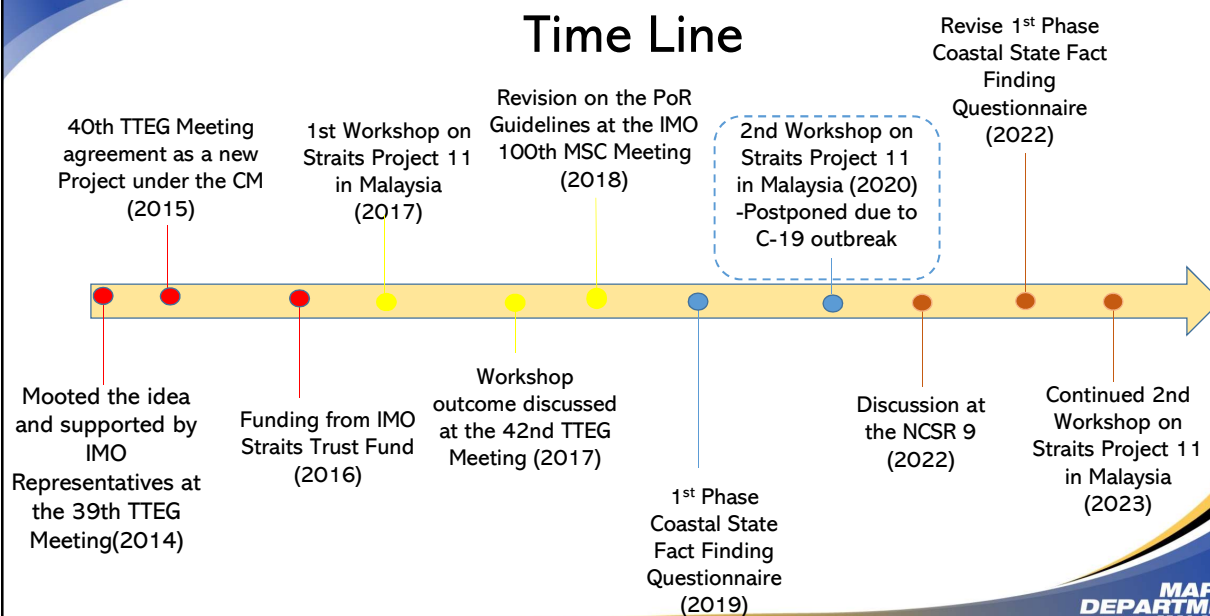
Current Status



1. Variety of ship products carried on board ships transiting the Straits;
2. Statistic shown the SOMS continuously receiving higher international shipping traffic despite C-19 pandemic;
3. Issues of "Place of Refuge" still in the list of the higher priority of the littoral States

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Time Line



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Time Line - 1st Workshop

NO	INFORMATION
1	VENUE : GRANADA HOTEL, JOHOR BHARU, JOHOR
	DATE : 7- 10 FEBUARY 2017



No	Recommendation
1	Each States' National Plans to feature procedures for dealing with places of refuge incidents in accordance with IMO Res A.949(23).
2	Decision Making / Competent Authority
3	IMO expert to visit Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore
4	Develop modified EU Operational Guidelines for SOMS area use.
5	Plan and execute TTX to test new SOMS area place of refuge guidelines. Opportunity to engage with industry.
6	Establish SOMS Area Place of Refuge Co-operation Group

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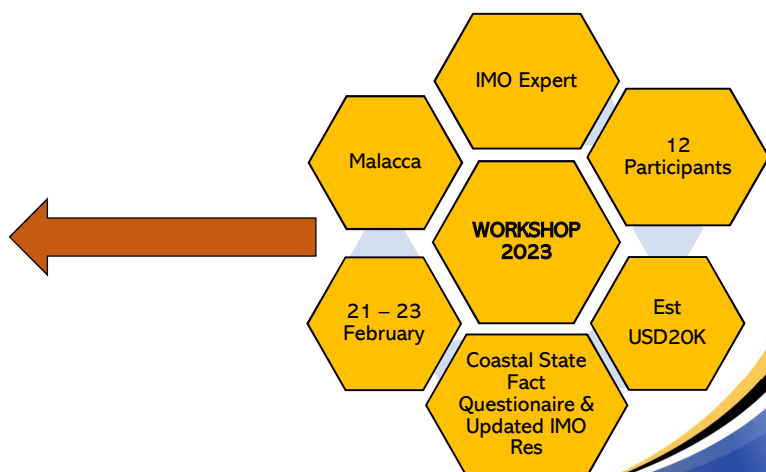
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Future Outlook

- Draft guidelines to be shared at 14th PCC;
- Endorse at the 46th TTEG Meeting
- Incorporated in the existing mechanism – ASEAN Regional Oil Spill Contingency Plan (ROSCP) / National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NOSCP)



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Conclusion

"More international instruments will not contribute to further increases of safety at sea, but require more efficient implementation of regimes, enhance and better coordination national, regional and international framework will serve the purpose..."

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