

REPORT OF THE MEETING

TENTH PROJECT COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING UNDER THE COOPERATIVE MECHANISM ON THE STRAITS OF MALACCA AND SINGAPORE

HELD AT HILTON, KOTA KINABALU, MALAYSIA

ON 4 OCTOBER 2017

1.0 OPENING OF THE MEETING

1.1 The Tenth Meeting of the Project Coordination Committee (PCC) under the Cooperative Mechanism on the Straits of Malacca and Singapore (Straits) between the littoral States and user States was held on 4 October 2017 at Hilton, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia.

1.2 The meeting was chaired by YBhg. Dato' Rossid Musa, Marine Department Malaysia and attended by representatives from the three littoral States, People's Republic of China, International Maritime Organization (IMO), and Malacca Straits Council (MSC). The meeting was also attended by Users of the Straits and stakeholders from the shipping industry. The list of participants is attached as **Annex 1**.

1.3 During the opening of the meeting, the Chairman, YBhg. Dato' Rossid Musa, Marine Department Malaysia expressed his appreciation and thanked the participants for attending the meeting. The Chairman also thanked all contributors who contribute for the implementation of the Projects.

1.4 Indonesia and Singapore thanked Malaysia for hosting the meeting and for making all the arrangements. They also thanked and welcomed other delegates to the 10th PCC Meeting and expressed a fruitful discussion on the implementation of the existing projects. Indonesia and Singapore joined Malaysia also thanked contributors who contribute for the implementation of the Projects.

1.5 People's Republic of China; India; Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Tourism and Transport (MLIT); the Nippon Foundation; and Malacca Straits Council (MSC); also thanked Malaysia as

the host for the meeting and stated the association under the Cooperative Mechanism. They also expressed the appreciation to Indonesia and Singapore on their cooperation towards the success of the Projects under the PCC.

1.6 The People's Republic of China informed that they will organize two workshops to the littoral States on Marine Oil Spill Risk Assessment and Monitoring System under Project 12; and the details will be shared at the later date.

2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2.1 The Meeting considered the provisional agenda proposed in document PCC 10/2 and adopted the agenda set out in **Annex 2**.

3.0 AN UPDATE AND RECENT DEVELOPMENT ON THE STRAITS PROJECTS

3.1 The PCC noted the updates of the projects presented at the 10th Cooperation Forum under the Cooperative Mechanism between the littoral States and user States on safety of navigation and environmental protection in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

3.2 Updates on the developments of Project as follow:

3.2.1 PCC 10/3/1: Straits Project 1 – Removal of Wrecks in the Traffic Separation Scheme in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the report on Project 1 on Removal of Wrecks in the Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS) in the Straits of Malacca;
- (ii) In particular, the PCC noted that Malaysia will be organised a familiarization course on MYWREMS to the littoral States in first quarter of 2018. Details of the course will be advised at the later date;
- (iii) Singapore thanked India and Germany for their contributions and look forward to participating in the trainings.

3.2.2 PCC 10/3/2: Straits Project 5 – Replacement and Maintenance of Aids to Navigation in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the progress report presented by Indonesia on Project 5 on the Replacement and maintenance of aids to navigation in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (ii) Singapore thanked Aids to Navigation Fund (ANF) Committee Members in their contribution in maintaining the 51 critical aids to navigation in the Straits. Indonesia and Malaysia joined Singapore thanked the contributors of the ANF.

3.2.3 PCC 10/3/3: Straits Project 9 – Ship Traffic Management System in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the updates by Singapore on Project 9 on the Ship Traffic Management System (STMS) in the SOMS. Further to that, the PCC noted the objective of the project to demonstrate:-
 - a. New concept of operation on share situational awareness between ship and shore;
 - b. Use of new technologies leveraging on existing systems/ equipment to facilitate information exchange between ship and shore.
- (ii) In updating PCC, Singapore informed that the operation's concept of the STMS Project achievable through a sea-trial that has been conducted. Further to that, Singapore informed that they will explore to ensure STMS able to harmonize with the other systems implemented in the Straits;
- (iii) BIMCO complimented Singapore on the success of the Project and requested outcome of the Project shared among the shipping industry.

3.2.4 PCC 10/3/4: Straits Project 10 – Study of the Blueprint for the Future Development of Safety of Navigation and Marine Environment Protection in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the updates on the Straits Project 10 – Study of the Blueprint for the Future Development of Safety of Navigation and Marine Environment Protection in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore;
- (ii) A Technical Working Group (WG) was convened to follow up on Straits Project 10;

3.2.5 PCC 10/3/5: Straits Project 11 – Development of Guidelines on the Places of Refuge for Ships in need of Assistance in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the report on the progress report by Malaysia of Project 11 on the Development of Guidelines on the Places of Refuge for Ships in need of

Assistance in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore by Malaysia;

- (ii) The PCC noted the outcome and recommendation from the workshop held from 7 - 10 February 2017 reported by Mr Hugh Shaw, the expert appointed by the IMO with special emphasize on the technical visit propose by IMO Consultant to the littoral States. Further to that, the technical visit was planned aiming to share EU practices in implementing the place of refuge in the SOMS. Details on the visit will be advised at the later date;
- (iii) Singapore informed that the littoral States will not designate any area in the Straits as a Place of Refuge. As agreed during 40th TTEG meeting, the littoral States will only focus to develop the Guidelines on the Places of Refuge for Ships in need of Assistance in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore by Malaysia;
- (iv) Singapore also highlighted that while the broad framework of the EU Guidelines was a useful sample for the development of guidelines on Places of Refuge in the SOMS, the Littoral States should first consider the unique circumstances and existing practices in the SOMS, to determine the applicability of the EU Guideline to the SOMS.

3.2.6 PCC 10/3/6: Straits Project 12 – Marine Oil Spill Assessment & Monitoring System in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) People's Republic of China as a co-lead to the project updated the PCC on the progress had been made since the last PCC Meeting, particularly in terms of organising the oil spill risk assessment and monitoring system workshop in November 2017;
- (ii) A Working Group was convened to follow up on Straits Project 12. In updating the PCC, People's Republic of China informed the PCC the Oil Spill Management Workshop will be funded by them.

3.2.7 PCC 10/3/7: Straits Project 13 – New Study for the Safety of Navigation in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore.

- (i) The PCC noted the updates provided by MSC. Further to that, the PCC noted the study conducted by MSC fulfil the objective to introduce a possible overtaking restriction measures in the deep water lane of the east-bound route at western part of Singapore;

- (ii) Regarding the Study 2 of the Project 13 that is a risk mitigation measure concerning the entering and exiting by vessels in the Singapore Straits, MSC explained its intention to propose withdrawal of this Study 2 at TTEG as there was no remarkable effect of reduction in the collision risk was observed by the simulation method. MSC would like to conduct further simulation study related to the possible introduction of non-overtaking area in east-bound deep water lane in Singapore Straits;
- (iii) MSC informed the PCC that the Study will be continued and shared with the littoral States.

4.0 REPORT OF TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

4.1 The PCC noted the report provided by Indonesia for Technical Working Group of Straits Project 10 as **Annex 3**.

4.2 The PCC noted the report provided by Malaysia for Technical Working Group of Straits Project 12 as **Annex 4**.

5.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 The PCC noted that no matter raised under this agenda item.

6.0 CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

6.1 The PCC considered and adopted the report of the meeting.

7.0 CLOSING REMARKS

7.1 On behalf of the three littoral States, the Chairman thanked all delegations for their cooperation for making the 10th PCC meeting a success. The commitment from the delegates to contribute to the identified projects demonstrated the success of the Cooperative Mechanism, and in particular the PCC.

7.2 Singapore will host the 10th PCC in 2018. The venue and date will be communicated in due course.

7.3 Indonesia and Singapore thanked and expressed their appreciation to Malaysia for convening the Meeting, for the arrangements and the hospitality, and to YBhg. Dato' Rossid Musa for chairing the meeting.

7.4 People Republic of China, and MLIT also thanked Malaysia for being the host of the meeting.

List of Annexes

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