Annex A

Third Country Training Programme:

The Singapore-IMO Memorandum of Understanding on Third Country Training Programme (TCTP) was established in 1998 for IMO and Singapore to jointly provide technical assistance to equip developing countries with the capabilities and expertise to implement IMO maritime rules and standards.

This year marks the 15th anniversary of Singapore's co-operation with IMO under the TCTP.

Under this Programme, Singapore has been providing technical assistance to countries from the African, Asian, Caribbean, Latin American and Middle Eastern regions. To date, more than 1,400 participants from over 70 countries have attended a wide range of courses conducted under the Singapore-IMO TCTP. In addition, new TCTP courses have been rolled out over the years to help countries understand and adhere to new regulations being adopted at the IMO, while existing courses have been continually refined and updated to meet the evolving needs of participants.

In addition to its contributions under the Singapore-IMO MOU on TCTP, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore has been providing technical assistance bilaterally through the Singapore Cooperation Programme and other initiatives to support the maritime capacity-building efforts of other countries. Some of these initiatives include the Maritime Public Leaders' Programme (which is a holistic and interdisciplinary executive programme for global maritime leaders) and the annual World Maritime University Field Study Visits (which Singapore has been hosting since 2004).