

**RESOLUTION A.442(XI)**

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**PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL RESOURCE NEEDS OF ADMINISTRATIONS  
FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF CASUALTIES AND  
CONTRAVENTIONS OF CONVENTIONS**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 16(h) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly,

DESIRING to ensure that ships at all times comply with maritime safety and marine environmental protection standards and procedures prescribed by conventions in force,

NOTING the numerous reports of contraventions of the provisions of conventions,

BEARING IN MIND resolutions A.321(IX), A.322(IX), A.390(X), A.391(X) and A.440(XI) concerning the enforcement of conventions in cases of contraventions and investigations into casualties, and the work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee in this field,

BELIEVING that the sufficiency of personnel and material resources of every Administration to fully investigate casualties and contraventions is an important factor for ensuring effective enforcement of conventions,

URGES Governments to take all necessary steps to ensure that they have available efficient means and suitably qualified personnel and material resources to enable them adequately to enforce international regulations particularly in cases of casualties and contraventions relating to maritime safety and the protection of the marine environment.