(2) to invite the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps in connexion herewith.

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## Resolution A.53 (III)

CONVENING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LOAD-LINES

The Assembly,

Taking note of Article 1(a) of the Convention which provides that the purposes of the Organization shall include the encouragement of the general adoption of the highest practicable standards in matters of maritime safety,

Noting further Article 16 of the Convention and, in particular, paragraphs (h) and (i) thereof concerning the functions of the Assembly,

Bearing in mind Article 3(b) of the Convention concerning the functions of the Organization,

Noting in addition that, under Article 29 of the Convention which concerns the duty of the Maritime Safety Committee, that Committee has considered the problem,

Recognizing that the establishment by international agreement of minimum freeboards for sea-going vessels constitutes a most important contribution to maritime safety,

Having considered the Council Resolution C.2(VI) recommending the Assembly to authorize the convening of an international conference to adopt a convention on load-lines,

**Decides** 

- (1) to convene in London, in March and/or April 1966 an international conference for the adoption of a convention on load-lines;
- (2) to request the Secretary-General to invite to the conference States Members of the United Nations and its specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency together with observers from such governmental and non-governmental organizations as are normally present at conferences convened by IMCO, and to take the necessary steps to arrange for this conference.

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## Resolution A.54 (III)

Adoption of the Reports of the Maritime Safety Committee

The Assembly,

Taking note of Article 16 of the Convention concerning the functions of the Assembly,

Noting further Article 29 of the Convention concerning the duties of the Maritime Safety Committee,

Noting in addition Article 30(b) of the Convention providing that the Maritime Safety Committee shall report to the Assembly on its work since the previous regular session of the Assembly,

Noting also that, under Article 22 of the Convention, the Council at its eighth and ninth sessions has considered the Reports of the Maritime Safety Committee and transmitted them to the Assembly.

Noting also that the Council at its eighth session decided to recommend to the Assembly that paragraph 59(c) of the Committee's main Report (relating to choice of operational frequencies for emergency position-indicating radio beacons) should be referred back to the Committee,

Having considered the Reports of the Maritime Safety Committee,

Recalling that the Assembly, at this session, has adopted Resolutions concerning:

- (a) the treatment of shelter-deck and other 'open' spaces,
- (b) stability information for ships carrying grain,
- (c) the marking of oceanographic stations,
- (d) the Red Sea lights,
- (e) prevention of pollution of the sea by oil,
- (f) the proposed international conference on load-lines,
- (g) stability of fishing vessels,

which concern certain items of the work of the Maritime Safety Committee mentioned in these Reports,

**Decides** 

- to approve the Reports of the Maritime Safety Committee and, in particular, the work carried out and the future programme of work;
- (2) to refer back to the Committee for examination the matter dealt with in paragraph 59(c) (choice of operational frequencies for emergency position-indicating radio beacons) of the Committee's main Report.

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## Resolution A.55 (III)

GENERAL CONVENTION ON THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The Assembly,

Recalling Part V, Article 16, paragraph (h), of the IMCO Convention concerning the functions of